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Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 11:51 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Patty Russell

address: 7720 Benson Road Carroll OH 43112

614-228-0234

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor,

I hope that Senator McCain will be astute enough to consider you for Vice-President this fall. If so, I do hope that you will decide in favor of all of the conservatives in America who are longing for a strong advocate. God bless you and your family and all of your endeavors. Thanks for listening.

Patty Rusell

prussell@ameritech.net

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**Sent:** Tuesday, February 26, 2008 5:23 PM

**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)

**Subject:** FW: Construction Careers Days

Governor, please see below. Jon Dunham from our office is leading the charge on this. This might be good opportunity for you too. Click and I plan on being there. Kids and education. LEO

This will be on April 30, 2008 at the Alaska State Fair Grounds in Palmer, centered around Raven Hall. We'll have 500 high school students from Anchorage and the Mat-Su attending – learning about career opportunities in the construction and transportation industry. We would like to have the Governor there to talk with the students at the same time that you and Commissioner Bishop will talk - starting at 8:45 AM, then at 10:15 AM and 11:30 AM.

Thanks. Jon

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**Sent:** Tuesday, February 26, 2008 3:28 PM
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Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 3:41 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Mr. gary smith

address: 7584 aegean ct san diego CA 92126

8586102974

MESSAGE:

congratulations, i wish you prosperity on becoming vp or president. i have friends that used to live there. i have been to anchorage. daughter's name is sara i love conservatives. bless you.

gwiliker55@yahoo.com

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To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Mr. Paul Tritle

address: 5014 E. Los Coyotes Diagonal Apt 6 Long Beach CA 90815

MESSAGE:

I hope McCain picks you as VP - you are what the Rep. party needs.

Tritlep@yahoo.com

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**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com

**Cc:** Crome; Cora J (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)

**Subject:** Yukon Panel

Governor,

We'd like your approval to appoint members for the Yukon River Panel Advisory Committee (YRPAC). The Committee's focus is conservation of Yukon River salmon stocks, develops management programs, identifies restoration/enhancement opportunities, and administers the Yukon River Salmon Restoration and Enhancement Fund.

The names below are carefully selected by ADF&G to balance the needs of the upper and lower river users and fit the statutory requirement of the Committee. The panel is comprised 8 members, 4 for the lower river and 4 for the upper river, of 2 of which must be AK Native non-profits.

Recommendations for reappointment are for Shirley Clark, Angela Demientieff, Jennifer Hooper, Joseph Strongheart Sr., Mike Smith and Virgil Umphenour.

Recommendations for new appointment are Richard Carol and Erik Weingarth.

All names meet requirements to serve on the YRPAC and provide a good balance of historical knowledge of issues and new representation.

Frank Bailey
Director, Boards and Commissions
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**Sent:** Tuesday, February 26, 2008 2:10 PM

**To:** 'Dr. David Head'

**Cc:** Palin; Sarah H (GOV)

**Subject:** RE: State Medical Board

Dr. Head,

Was good to speak with you on the phone. To recap I'll get with Law and double-check those options to raise to the Governor. We can't do much until the session wraps up but we should have a better indication much sooner than that.

Feel free to email or call anytime. 465-3939 is my Juneau # and 748-5816 is my cell.

Frank

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**From:** Dr. David Head [mailto:head@nshcorp.org]
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 26, 2008 1:52 PM
**To:** Bailey, Frank T (GOV)
**Cc:** Palin, Sarah H (GOV)
**Subject:** State Medical Board

Hi Frank,

I was just checking if I am still on the State Medical Board. Have I been reappointed, or has someone been appointed to take my place. The next meeting is coming up the first week of April, and I need to know if I am still chairing the meeting, and if I will need to make arrangements to my schedule to attend.

Thanks
David Head, M.D.
Chair, Alaska State Medical Board

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:13 AM
**To:** Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Weekly News Bulletin: Feb. 26-Mar. 3, 2008

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**From:** Waste Business Journal [mailto:info@wastebusinessjournal.com]
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 26, 2008 11:04 PM
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
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1. **EPA CONSIDERING PROPOSAL TO RCRA LANDFILL LOW-LEVEL NUCLEAR WASTES**

   The EPA is said to be reconsidering a controversial proposal that may open hazardous waste landfills to low-level radioactive waste by regulating them under subtitle C of the Resource Conservation & Recovery Act (RCRA). The plan addresses Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) concerns about diminishing disposal capacity for these wastes and the increasing cost to decommission nuclear facilities. A big concern is whether RCRA landfills housing low-level nuclear waste could later be used for new construction and development. Currently, most low-level nuclear waste is disposed of at NRC-licensed facilities, but some states allow its disposal in RCRA landfills on a case-by-case basis. The agency's plan would establish a uniform national policy. Pressure is building from the NRC and the nuclear industry to find alternative locations, especially with the impending partial closure of a major facility in Barnwell, SC next July. However, environmentalists and others are concerned that RCRA landfills could leak low-level radioactive waste into surrounding soil and groundwater; and, that radiation from the waste could boost the volatility of other hazardous materials in the landfill, thus increasing potential health risks...**Read More »**

2. **FEDERAL E-WASTE LEGISLATION TO ADOPT PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY APPROACH**

   Lawmakers working on federal e-waste legislation are touting a consensus-based extended producer responsibility approach, as described in a concept paper, a precursor to what might become the National Electronic Products Stewardship Act. Manufacturers, retailers and recyclers would share the task of setting up and running a national program to collect, transport, and recycle e-waste. Existing state e-waste laws would not be preempted if the law is enacted, but it would serve as a floor for future state controls, the paper said. Federal requirements would apply immediately in states without e-waste laws, and states would be free to set limits more stringent than those that the federal law imposes. The EPA would establish recycling rules and run the national program. Federal requirements would take precedence, but states wanting to do more could apply to EPA for "lead implementing agency" status. The draft proposes to cover CRT devices, flat panel video display devices with screens larger than 4 inches and desktop and laptop computers. The EPA could add or remove products from the list...**Read More »**

3. **WASTE SERVICES TO SELL FLORIDA OPERATIONS FOR $57 MILLION**

   Waste Services Inc agreed to sell its hauling and materials recycling operations and construction and demolition debris landfill at Jacksonville, Florida to Advanced Disposal Services Inc for $57.5 million in a deal expected to close in early March. The company will retain ownership of the Jacksonville materials recycling and hauling facilities and lease them to the purchaser. They plan to use $42.5 million of the proceeds to

reduce term loans and meet operational needs...Read More »

4. **GREANPEACE REPORT DETAILS GLOBAL PROBLEM OF E-WASTE**

A recent Greenpeace report chronicles the dumping of millions of tons of discarded electronic equipment containing toxic chemicals and heavy metals every year without recycling or safe disposal. According to the report entitled "Toxic Tech: Not In Our Backyard," more than 80 percent of televisions, computers, mobile phones and other equipment escape proper handling in the United States, and about 75 percent in the European Union. In India, 99 percent of such "e-waste" is mishandled. "The introduction of appropriate reuse, recycling and recovery technologies is not keeping pace" with growing sales, said the report. More than 1 billion mobile phones were sold last year alone. A mobile phone contains 500 to 1,000 components, many of them containing potentially dangerous metals like lead, mercury, cadmium and beryllium, as well as hazardous chemical flame retardants. In the EU where producer responsibility has been legislated since August 2005, there has been more success than in the US where "a relatively unsophisticated infrastructure" exists to collect and process e-waste; however, several states are requiring producers to have take-back schemes. Much of what Greenpeace calls the "hidden flow" of hazardous waste is exported to countries like India, China and Thailand. Workers in those countries strip down the goods to recover components for second-hand equipment or to harvest valuable metals and raw materials in a process that is dangerous to their health and to the environment...Read More »

5. **ANOTHER GUILTY PLEA IN FEDERAL PROBE OF CONNECTICUT WASTE INDUSTRY**

The ongoing federal probe of a mob-backed scheme to control the waste hauling industry in Connecticut and east New York has netted another guilty plea. This time it is Thomas Milo, 70, of Mamaroneck, NY who was a silent partner with trash magnate James Galante on several hauling companies, including Automated Waste Disposal, Diversified Waste Disposal and Superior Waste Disposal. The two were masterminds of a scheme that paid a $120,000 monthly "mob tax" to Matthew Ianniello, former reputed head of the Genovese crime family, in return for mob muscle to make sure that other trash firms would agree to keep prices high and to not poach one another's customers. Ianniello is currently in prison after pleading guilty to racketeering conspiracy and tax charges. As a condition of the guilty plea, Milo and his wife must forfeit all interest in the affiliated companies. Milo, Galante and Ianniello are among 29 people named in a 2006 federal indictment...Read More »

6. **COVANTA HOLDING 4Q EARNINGS SURGE 24% ON HIGHER REVENUES**

Covanta Holding Corp. said its fourth-quarter net earnings rose to $72.3 million, or $0.47 per share, from $11.9 million, or $0.08 per share, a year ago. Revenue for the period ended Dec. 31 rose to $395.4 million from $317.9 million a year earlier well ahead of analysts' estimates of $358.8 million. The waste-to-energy company continues to benefit from a very strong energy market coupled with rising waste disposal pricing, particularly in the Northeast and southeast where most of the company's projects are located. The company is forecasting 2008 earnings to be between $0.90 and $1 per share...Read More »

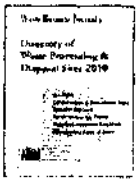
7. **ENVIRONMENTALISTS ATTEMPT TO APPLY RCRA TO DIESEL EMMISSIONS**

Environmental groups including the Natural Resources Defense Council and others are said to be testing an innovative legal approach to attack air pollution not usually subject to the Clean Air Act. They charge that

solid particulate matter (PM) emissions from diesel fuel at ports around the country constitute the improper disposal of hazardous waste. Albeit a long shot, if successful, it would render the Clean Air Act superfluous by making PM violations from any source potentially a violation of RCRA. NRDC and the California group Coalition for a Safe Environment are suing the Port of Long Beach, CA, arguing that the facility is improperly disposing of wastes such as arsenic, cadmium, nickel, lead, mercury and other compounds "while attached to or associated with diesel particulate matter." Other attempts by environmentalists to apply RCRA to other regulatory programs have generally been unsuccessful. In 2005, local groups in Idaho failed to win a suit aimed at regulating crop-burning residues under RCRA...**Read More »**

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8. **CONNECTICUT RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY TO RAISE TIP FEES BE 25%**

   The Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority (CRRA) this week approved a 25% increase in the tip fees it charges to the 70 municipalities that constitute its Mid-Connecticut Project. CRRA argues that the increase is needed to cover the cost to close its Hartford landfill and to ship waste to other sites and out of state. Attorneys for the municipalities argue that the increase "smacks of retaliation" for a recent lawsuit settlement in their favor related to the Enron debacle. The increase adds $28 million to the budget which is just about the amount awarded to the towns in the settlement. The CRRA counters that the board voted in 2004 to close the landfill and therefore, it should come as no surprise. Currently, CRRA's appeal is still pending with the state Supreme Court...**Read More »**

9. **PORTLAND, ORE. WANTS TO MANDATE BUSINESS RECYCLING**

   Portland Oregon city officials are pursuing the final frontier in waste: business recycling. The city's phased-in recycling mandate will ultimately make it mandatory for businesses to recycle all paper, cardboard, and food and drink containers, and 75% of their construction debris. Portland has required businesses to recycle half of their waste since 1996, joining Seattle, Chicago, San Diego County and others with business-recycling mandates. Portland businesses already claim to recycle 63% of the waste generated but businesses are wary of mandates and non-market based systems to push it higher. The City Council is also said to be considering a franchise system that assigns haulers a specific territory in exchange for volume discounts and contractual mandates including those for recycling as an alternative. The franchise system has many efficiency benefits resulting from better routing, reduced truck volume, and waste volume consolidation at transfer, processing and disposal sites...**Read More »**

10. **DANISH WASTE-TO-ENERGY FIRM BABCOCK & WILCOX**

**V&OSLASH;LUND WANTS TO ENTER US**

Danish waste incineration technology company Babcock & Wilcox Vølund wants to enter the American market. The US has increased its focus on converting waste to energy following the climate debate and the Danish company wants to find an American license partner for a future cooperation...Read More »

11. **ENGLOBE REPORTS 4Q LOSS OF $1 MILLION FROM RESTRUCTURING COSTS**

Environmental services company Englobe Corp. reported a fourth quarter net loss of $1 million, down from net income of $1 million in the year earlier period. This despite a 58% rise in revenues to $39.8 million from $25.2 million in last year's quarter. The company, formerly known as Environmental Management Solutions Inc., attributed the loss to restructuring costs of $1.6 million, larger depreciation and amortization expenses, and higher interest charges. The company's acquisition of Biogenie S.R.D.C. Inc. in late 2006 has helped to enhance company margins from more lucrative soil assessment and remediation activities...**Read More »**

12. **WASTE SERVICES TO ANNOUNCE FOURTH QUARTER AND 2007 RESULTS ON FEB. 27**

Waste Services, Inc. will release its 2007 fourth quarter results after the close of markets on Wednesday, February 27 and hold a conference call the next day at 8:30 a.m. (ET)...**Read More »**

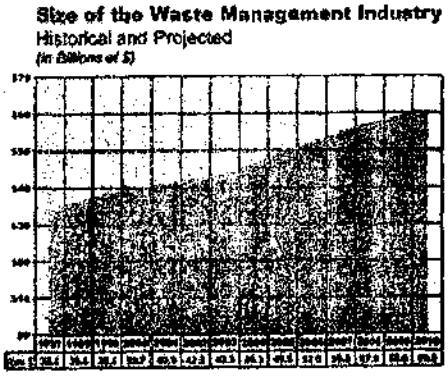
13. **WASTE INDUSTRIES USA TO ANNOUNCE FOURTH QUARTER RESULTS ON MAR. 4**

Waste Industries USA, which has announced plans to go private late last year, will release fourth quarter and full year financial results at the close of the market on Tuesday, March 4. The Company will host an analyst conference call to discuss those results on the following day at 2 p.m. (ET)...**Read More »**

14. **CASELLA TO ANNOUNCE THIRD QUARTER AND HOST CONFERENCE CALL ON MAR. 6**

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**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
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**Sent:** Tuesday, February 26, 2008 9:12 AM
**To:** Bernard Miller
**Subject:** RE: John McCain is breaking the law

Bernard --

I'm Joe Sandler, General Counsel for the DNC. Yesterday we filed a complaint with the FEC after John McCain decided to break the law by ignoring the rules laid out as part of the federal matching funds program.

I don't know if you saw the news, but the press covered the complaint all day. John McCain himself directly responded to Governor Dean at a press conference, saying "We're doing exactly what Howard Dean did in a previous election and what the FEC ruled in the case of Congressman Gephardt."

But that's a lie -- John McCain isn't doing what Governor Dean and Congressman Gephardt did at all.

Governor Dean and Congressman Gephardt followed the law and were granted written permission by the FEC to withdraw from the federal matching funds program.

To prove it, we have a copy of the letter Governor Dean received from the FEC in 2003 granting him permission to drop out. If McCain is doing "exactly what Howard Dean did," he'll have no trouble producing a letter of his own.

But you and I know McCain's lying -- he doesn't have a letter like that from the FEC. Not only has he refused to get permission, he's been warned by

FEC Chairman David Mason that he can't unilaterally drop out of the program. That's why we filed the complaint in the first place, and it's why tens of thousands of Americans like you signed your support.

Read Governor Dean's letter from the FEC, and sign your support for our complaint right here:

**http://www.democrats.org/McCainBusted**

John McCain abused the system to keep his campaign afloat until he could raise more money from special interests and lobbyists. Taxpayers don't want their money to be used by Washington politicians to help raise more money from lobbyists -- is this McCain's idea of ethics and reform?

Thanks to you, this "maverick reformer" is feeling the pressure of his own hypocrisy. From staffing his campaign with a team of lobbyists to breaking campaign finance laws, his total lack of integrity has never been more clear.

Keep it up,

Joe Sandler
General Counsel
Democratic National Committee

-------- Original Message --------

**Subject:** John McCain Is breaking the law
**Date:** Mon, 25 Feb 2008 03:50:11 PM
**From:** Howard Dean
**To:** Joe Sandler

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Dear Joe,

There was a lot of talk last week about John McCain's blatant hypocrisy on ethics and integrity in Washington.

Here we go again.

McCain is now breaking the law by ignoring the campaign spending restrictions for the Republican primary that came when he asked for federal matching funds -- funds he used as collateral on a loan that helped keep his campaign going.

But now that the lobbyist and special interest money has started pouring into his campaign,



he's trying to back out of the promise he made just a few months ago. They're feeding so much cash into his bank account, this "reformer" wants nothing to do with federal campaign finance laws anymore.

That's why today, we're filing a formal complaint with the Federal Election Commission demanding that John McCain be held to the campaign finance laws. Trying to back out shows a total lack of integrity and honesty -- he made a deal with the American people to to abide by the law, and in return, he was guaranteed taxpayer money that he used to back a loan.

Joe, I'd like you to add your name in support of our complaint, and ask as many people as you can to sign on. American taxpayers made a deal with John McCain -- now that he's flush with lobbyist cash, he wants to pretend that it never happened.

Sign on right now:

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Here's the background on the situation.

A few months ago, John McCain applied for and was approved to receive federal matching funds. Because he couldn't find enough people to fund his campaign, he was also forced to apply for a $4 million line of credit, which he secured by using the federal matching funds as collateral.

By taking the federal funding, he agreed to spend no more than $57 million until the Republican convention. But so far, his campaign has spent at least $49 million -- leaving him with less than $10 million to campaign with through September.

Now that he's won the nomination and has the support of the Republican lobbyist and special interest machine, he's trying to ignore that the whole thing ever happened. He recently wrote a letter to the FEC telling them that he was backing out, even though the FEC is very clear that any request to withdraw from the agreement must be approved; you can't just change your mind and take it back -- legally, you have to be given permission.

McCain isn't asking because he knows he'll never be granted permission, and he doesn't want to have to accept the funding restrictions he agreed to when he used the money as collateral for a loan. He's ripping a page right from George Bush's playbook: ignoring the laws when they aren't convenient and hoping no one will notice.

Stand up and show him that hundreds of thousands of people have noticed -- he can't change the rules in the middle of the game because he doesn't like how things are going for him:

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Using government programs when it's politically convenient and breaking the rules when it's not ... remind you of anyone?

Just like George Bush, John McCain thinks he's above the law. McCain poses as a reformer, but seems to think reforms apply to everyone but him.

Time to send him a message.

Howard Dean

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**Subject:** FW: Manhattan Institute Daily Update

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**To:** Palin, Sarah H (GOV)
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**Read the buzz that Heather Mac Donald's article, "The Campus Rape Myth, is generating in the blogosphere.**

Her article was adapted in the *Los Angeles Times* and linked on FrontPageMag.com 02-25-08 and RealClearPolitics.com.

### RADIO

**Heather Mac Donald on WLW's "Mike McConnell Show"**

Today, February 27, 2008, Heather Mac Donald, John M. Olin fellow at the Manhattan Institute and *City Journal* contributing editor, appeared on WLW's "Mike McConnell Show" t discuss her latest *City Journal* article "The Campus Rape Myth."

### FROM THE BLOGOSPHERE

The campus rape myth, RedBlueAmerica.com, 02-26-08
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### ARTICLES

**School Choice Isn't Enough**

**Sol Stern**, Opinion Journal Federation Page, February 27, 2008
(This article also appears in the winter issue of *City Journal*)
I began writing about school choice in City Journal more than a decade ago. I believed then (as I still believe) that giving tuition vouchers to poor inner-city students stuck in lousy public schools was a civi rights imperative. . . It seemed immoral to keep disadvantaged kids locked up in dismal, future-darkening public schools when vouchers could send them to high-performing Catholic ones--especially

when middle-class parents enjoyed education options galore for their children. . .

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## TELEVISION

### Max Schulz on CNN Headline News' "Glenn Beck Show"

Today, Wednesday, February 27, 2008, at 3:15 PM EST, Max Schulz, senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute's Center for Energy Policy and the Environment will discuss the implications of the power outage that hit Florida yesterday on the nationally syndicated "Glenn Beck Show."

### Max Schulz on Fox Business Channel's "Cavuto"

On Tuesday, February 26, 2008, Max Schulz, senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute's Center for Energy Policy and the Environment discussed the implications of the power outage that hit Florida yesterday on the nationally syndicated "Cavuto." Click here to watch this appearance.

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### Max Schulz on Westwood One's "Lars Larson Show"

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## REVIEW

### Feeling Less Kumbaya

Gerard Alexander, The Claremont Institute, February 26, 2008

. . . In Democratic Capitalism and Its Discontents, Anderson takes on diverse critics of the West's distinctive post-1945 formula of democratic capitalism. These critics are almost all other writers, making this essentially a work of intellectual history and intellectual jousting. . . Anderson draws his intellectual portraits deftly; his discussion of Hardt and Negri is especially telling and pungent. The focus on sins of intellectual omission and commission suggests that the portraitist operates with very specific assumption: that a political system like that of today's Western countries ultimately rests on the beliefs in people's heads. . .

RADIO

**Paul Howard on WPTF's "Morning News with Jack Boston"**

This morning, Wednesday, February 27, 2008, Paul Howard, senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute's Center for Medical Progress, discussed Presidential candidates' health care proposals on the "Morning News with Jack Boston," airing out of Raleigh, NC.

**David Gratzer on WIBA's "Upfront with Vicki McKenna"**

On Tuesday, February 26, 2008, David Gratzer, senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute's Center for Medical Progress, discussed health care reform on "Upfront with Vicki McKenna," airing out of Madison, WI.

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Sexual Harassment Bait and Switch

Posted by Hans Bader

In sexual harassment cases, many courts play a game of bait and switch with employers. When they want to hold the employer liable, they claim that harassment requires no showing of wrongful or discriminatory intent at all, making the employer liable even for conduct that unintentionally offended the plaintiff, such as speech that the plaintiff overhears and is offended by. But when it comes time to impose or collect damages, they suddenly switch positions and claim that harassment is not only intentionally discriminatory, but willful and malicious. . .

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**Subject:** FW: pipeline opportunities conference March 25 in Houston

## Alaskan Gasline Team to Discuss North Slope Pipeline at Pipeline Opportunities Conference

HOUSTON--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin is sending her gasline team to Houston on March 25 to update attendees at the 4th Annual Pipeline Opportunities Conference with the latest news on the proposed North Slope natural gas pipeline project.

The announcement comes amid increasing pressure from Washington lawmakers to get moving on the landmark project quickly. Palin has made no secret of her determination to see a pipeline built with or without the support of the major producers. Her gasline team is holding statewide meetings on the project and the trip to Houston will mark their first presentation outside of Alaska.

Pipeline & Gas Journal Editor Jeff Share, who has organized the conference, said the gasline team's presentation is a rare opportunity to learn first-hand about the project that will affect the entire industry for years to come.

"There are new developments almost every day regarding the project and just as many questions because it's the granddaddy of all pipelines," Share said. "This will be an opportunity to hear for the first time what is really happening for those in the know."

The gasline delegation fills out an array of speakers representing pipeline interests from the tip of North America to the bottom of South America. They will speak during the lunch break following a report by Jackie Broussard and the Great Ideas Company entitled "A New Approach: The Positive Economic Value Pipelines Bring To Our Economy And Communities." She will present research findings from 100 plus industry executives who endorse non-traditional thinking for the pipeline industry.

Petrobras, Brazil's national energy company which has rapidly grown into a major force in the Western Hemisphere, will detail more than $10 billion in pipeline projects over the next five years; its new technological developments, and its plans to transport ethanol.

The conference will include two morning sessions on oil products pipelines, represented by keynote speaker Norm Szydlowksi, president and CEO of Colonial Pipeline Co., and panelists Perry Schuldhaus of Enbridge Pipelines; Robert Jones of TransCanada's Keystone Pipeline project; Mike Mears of Magellan Midstream Partners, and Cheryl Trench of Allegro Energy Consulting.

In the afternoon, an extended session will convene to discuss project development in the natural gas transmission sector, represented by Bryan Neskora of El Paso Corp.; Mackie McCrea of Energy Transfer Midstream Operations; Mike Moran of Southern Union Group; William Penney, Jr., of Spectra Energy; Kim Watson of Kinder Morgan, and Doug Evans of Gulf Interstate Engineering.

Sessions will also be held on workforce and environmental issues. Speakers will also represent GE Oil & Gas; Bechtel; Beirne, Maynard & Parsons; and the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America (INGAA), which is sponsoring the event with P&GJ.

The conference will be held in the Grand Ballroom at the Hyatt Regency at 1200 Louisiana St., Houston. A limited number of rooms are reserved. For information, contact the hotel at 713-654-1234 and ask for the conference rate of $169.

To register for the conference visit www.pgjonline.com or contact conference manager Karen Francis at 281-558-6930 x 222. The cost is $225 in advance and discounts are available for others registering from the same company.

## Contacts

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**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)
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Subject: General_Administration

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MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

Just to let you know I thought you did a creditable job on C-Span the other day. I thought you answered most questions in a knowledgeable way.

Right now I'm at our "winter quarters" in Arizona, but Marilyn and I plan to return to Alaska in April. While here I joined the Minuteman organization and I must say I was impressed the way the outfit handles itself. Immigration is my big worry as far as the US is concerned.

Advice: Stay away from the VP slot, tempting as the idea may be. Run another term as governor and you will be ready for a national slot as you will be known for your honesty and forthrightous manner. Yes, it's the simple things that count.

Your loyal voter,

Ron Hess

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
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**To:** Spencer, Kari L (GOV)
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**From:** Bill Slayden [mailto:bill@slaydenplumbing.com]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:03 PM
**To:** Therriault, Gene (LAA); Wilken, Gary R (LAA); Thomas, Joe (LAA); Harris, John (LAA); Coghill, John (LAA); RepresentativeScott Kawasaki; Ramras, Jay B (LAA); Kelly, Mike (LAA)
**Cc:** Pastor - ZionFairbanks; Pastor Baumgarten; Lenetta Colbert; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Julie Benson
**Subject:** Fwd: RE: Play & Learn West

Dear Senators and Representatives,

I am a member of Zion Lutheran Church, Fairbanks, Alaska. I hope you are concerned about the early childhood development/child care crisis in our community. Please read the dialog below. Phil Newton is the President of our congregation and Lenetta Colbert is the Executive Director of Open Arms, Zion's early childhood development mission.

Our State, with its immense riches, needs to help those least able to help themselves. A State that can spend 10's of millions of dollars for a Fairbanks fish hatchery ought to be able to care for its youngest citizens.

Thank you,
William L. Slayden

***lenetta <openarmsdir@gci.net>*** wrote:

> Date: Wed, 27 Feb 2008 11:08:00 -0900
> From: lenetta <openarmsdir@gci.net>
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Is this an opportunity for Open Arms to expand? If so, could it lead to an opportunity for a church plant?

I know these are big questions. Should we explore?

God's peace,

Phil

Phil Newton, CSP, CUSA

**From:** lenetta [openarmsdir@gci.net]
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 26, 2008 9:11 PM
**To:** l Colbert
**Subject:** RE: Play & Learn West
Good Afternoon Phil:

I have thought long and hard about your question. Hear are some of the thoughts I have at this time. Please note they are my own opinions and have not been discussed formally with the Open Arms Board or with either Pastor Joe or Pastor Kuehnert.

First of all, Open Arms is THE center in town. With the closures of Educare last spring, Play & Learn East in August and now Play & Learn West, parents have few choices for center-based care. In conversations with Cheryl Keepers at the Child Care Assistance Office, she notes that there are about 4400 children under age 6 in need of care in the borough. However, there are only 2200 licensed child care slots. Is this an opportunity for Open Arms to expand?

My first reaction is to say an informed "No". In conversations with Gara Bridwell, Executive Director of Play & Learn, and with the former Director of Educare, the story is always the same: Centers lose money because parents can't afford the true cost of care. To compensate for this centers do not pay their staff well. Staff turnover is high (432 in 2.5 years for Open Arms) and the quality of care and education for our very important young children suffers. And just in case we have forgotten, this is the age when a child's brain grows the most, and when certain windows of learning open and close, never to be "re-learned" in quite the same way. We have certain scientific evidence (PET scans) which proves this to even the most skeptical person. Christ is brilliant—he created all of these young children and knew for certain that they were the most important in His kingdom! Solid research by several different firms shows the huge return on each dollar spent on quality early childhood education—an average of $7!! It is definitely "patient capital", but an investment that clearly saves taxpayers down the road in remedial costs for education, the penal system, etc., not to mention the positive impact on our future community.

I have been in the early childhood profession for 30+ years. The story hasn't changed. Society in general sees child care as a family responsibility and not a societal concern. Without debating the reasons children are in childcare, the number of children in care has only increased during this time. These young children grow up without quality care and education in their youngest and most formative years and become the people who will take care of us, teach our grandchildren and run our country. Whether or not you believe young children should be in child care is really a moot point, because they are

and will continue to be. The cost of providing care will continue to climb as standards for teaching staff are raised. How will Centers be able to continue to provide care? How will Open Arms be able to survive, let alone expand? As you are aware, we currently struggle to make ends meet and are dependent on church assistance of $14,000 per year and fundraising dollars of $50,000 per year.

I am aware that one of the mission goals for Zion is to add satellite centers in the borough. Now seems like a good time? If we are indeed serious about the expansion, I would suggest the following:

1. A special committee be appointed to look at the possibility of expanding. They would need to consider financing, staffing and location.
   This committee should include members from the business community, early childhood community, and from both the Open Arms Board and Leadership Council. I would suggest a meeting with Gara Bridwell as well.
2. Setting up a separate training unit for staff as part of Open Arms. This would be a unit that runs year around and whose sole purpose would be to train new and current staff. By setting up our own training we could by pass the need for our teacher assistants to obtain degrees. This would be similar to what the military does.
3. Increasing the rates to pay for the actual cost of care in all facilities, but offering significant scholarships for low income families who qualify for state assistance.
4. Conducting a demographic study to see if our community could support both expansion and an increase in rates—in some cases almost double the current rates.

Finally, I know that our God is a God of the impossible. He has proven over and over again to me personally and to the Zion congregation. I would suggest that much prayer and study go into any thought of expansion.

I would also welcome your thoughts as to other possibilities for expansion or items to consider.

Joy in the Great Teacher! Ienetta

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To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: cathie russell

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MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

I can't help but be troubled by media reports that say if you were asked to be a vice presidential running mate for John McCane, you would consider it. With all the your perceived dedication to improving the state of Alaska---I feel that your political ambition outweighs your focus on Alaska. Alaskans voted for you to lead our state into a fiscally sound and prosperous era and you are admired and adored by your Alaskan populous. Of course, I know the likely hood of you becoming a vice presidential running mate is not likely, but how do you think Alaskans would feel if you are already considering moving on to a more glorious pursuit. We love you Governor Palin---- please hang around while and help our state----you are young and I'm sure that you have a promising political career--just spend a little more time building a legacy for Alaskan..and yourself here in the 49th state. Cathie Lynn Russell

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Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2008 6:13 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Toby Sullivan

address: P.O. B ox 3047 Kodiak, AK 99615

907-360-8837

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin-

I am in Washington to cover the Exxon oral arguments before the Supreme Court for the Anchorage Press. I will be in the press section of the courtroom tomorrow (Wednesday) morning. I am also a plaintiff in the case- my family and I have fished salmon at our setnet sites on Kodiak since 1983.

I realize you are quite busy and this is very late notice, but I was wondering if you would have a few minutes to talk about the Exxon case while you are in Washington. I did not realize until last night that you would be in Washington this week or I would have tried to set this up sooner.

I am the reporter from Kodiak who wrote a piece for the Press last spring about my time in Iraq as an embedded reporter with the Marines. You sent me a very gracious letter about the piece, which I much appreciated. It's always nice to get fan mail. My son and I also met you in Kodiak for your inauguration party last year, though there were a lot of people there and I wouldn't expect you to remember us.

Thank you for considering my request,

Toby Sullivan

907-360-8837 cell

toby_sullivan@hotmail.com



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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:39 AM
**To:** Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: RSVP Today for WTCAK Luncheon with Ron Peck, President and COO, Alaska Travel Industry Association

**From:** World Trade Center Alaska [mailto:info@wtcak.org]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:32 AM
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
**Subject:** RSVP Today for WTCAK Luncheon with Ron Peck, President and COO, Alaska Travel Industry Association

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World Trade Center Alaska Monthly Luncheon

March 5, 2008



**Ron Peck,** President and COO
Alaska Travel Industry Association

**Topic** "International Travel Update"

Ron Peck has been President and COO of the Alaska Travel Industry Association for over five year Ron has a substantial, diverse, and long travel and tourism background of 30 years. His career began as a reservations and customer service agent for Alaska Airlines in Juneau in 1977. He ser in a variety of Sales and Marketing capacities in Anchorage, Juneau and Seattle. He climbed the ranks in Seattle to eventually become director of marketing for Alaska, Russia and Canada. In 19 he went to work as director of sales and marketing for Princess Tours and Princess Alaska Lodges Immediately before coming to ATIA, Peck served as director of sales and marketing for Alyeska Resort.

Ron also is a member of the Public Advisory Committee, for the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council, and served on Governor Palin's Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (DCCED) Transition Team.

**Where:** Wells Fargo Bank, Headquarters Building (Northern Lights and "C" Fifth Floor

**Time:** 12 noon (doors open 11:45 am)

**Fee:**
$20 WTCAK Members
$25 Non-Members
$15 Students (with valid school ID)

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:23 AM
**To:** Spencer; Kari L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Matching Funds for Anchorage Pool Repair Bonds

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**From:** Mike & Marcia Harmening [mailto:aliken@clearwire.net]
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 26, 2008 7:22 PM
**To:** rep_reggie_joule@legis.state.ak.us; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); pcrosby@ak.net
**Subject:** Matching Funds for Anchorage Pool Repair Bonds

Dear Rep. Joule,
Swimming skills save lives.
All three of my children have learned to swim in public pools. Without access to these facilities, my family would not be as safe on Alaska waters. We simply cannot afford an athletic club membership and do not have access to military base pools. Alaska has three times the national drowning rate. Please don't let Alaska's children and future adults add to this tragic statistic.
Also, Bartlett Pool is the only 50-meter competitive pool in the state. Swimmers from all over Alaska travel to Anchorage to swim in this unique venue. Public pools are a state asset. It would be a colossal waste not to maintain the facilities that so greatly enhance our quality of life in this wonderful state.
Please appropriate funds to match the Anchorage Pool Bond.
Sincerely,
Marcia Harmening

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**From:** Leschper, Beth (GOV) [beth.leschper@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:50 PM
**To:** ExternalEmailgsp; Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** RE: LA

It will be Q&A with you and Gov. Napolitano. Moderator is Karen Breslau (Newsweek San Fran Bureau Chief who interviewed you).

In the binder that we sent up this evening, which should be in the Anchorage office tomorrow, we have a full agenda including list of those on the agenda who will provide welcome remarks.

Included is this information from my conversation with Karen:

Karen Breslau will be the moderator. She will visit with both governors before taking the stage to discuss the conversation and how she anticipates the event will unfold. Karen said it would be a "conversation" between two "such accomplished governors from very different places on the political spectrum." She said, "Two governors just dishing!"

"Tell her (Governor Palin), 'Just bring your brain,'" Karen said. She anticipates that the conversation will include:

? Notion of partisanship – how you've overcome it as you've served in public office.

? How both governors have managed to be very successful in taking a non-partisan approach to problem solving … discuss particularly in light of presidential campaign.

? Talk about governors' impressions – of the presidential campaign, Napolitano has come out for Obama – will ask if Governor Palin is going to endorse.

Beth

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:38 PM

To: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: LA

Beth- will I be giving a speech in LA, or just answering questions on a panel?

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## Unknown

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:51 PM
**To:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Fradley; Tara D (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Rep. Joule's nephew

Do I know the person? I'm wondering if I'm missing something with this request from Janice.

------Original Message------

From: Kris Perry

To: Governor Sarah Palin

To: Tara Fradley

Sent: Feb 27, 2008 1:49 PM

Subject: RE: Rep. Joule's nephew

I talked w/Janice and they were hoping for a phone call to him. I will get his number and have it for you tomorrow in case you call (unless you need sooner). We will send a condolence letter.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:34 PM

To: Fradley, Tara D (GOV)

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Rep. Joule's nephew

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**From:** Silveraurora [silvera@mtaonline.net]

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:27 PM

**To:** Gerlach; Robert F (DEC); 'theider'; McLaughlin; Joseph B (HSS); Hartig; Lawrence L (DEC); Easton; Dan (DEC); Ryan; Kristin J (DEC); Fuller; Jay D (DEC); Rice; Cherie L (DEC); Havemeister; Franci A (DNR); Lieutenant Governor Sean Parnell (GOV sponsored); rainy4279@aol.com; rep_carl_gatto@legis.state.ak.us; rep_mark_neuman@legis.state.ak.us; goatmilk@gci.net; rqw@mtaonline.net; safallon@aol.com; Huggins; Charlie (LAA); Green; Lyda N (LAA); artemisdreaming@hotmail.com; rep_anna_fairclough@legis.state.ak.us; rep_craig_johnson@legis.state.ak.us; rep_scott_kawasaki@legis.state.ak.us; Roses; Bob (LAA); Edgmon; Bryce E (LAA); Guttenberg; David (LAA); Kelly; Mike (LAA); Seaton; Paul (LAA); Wilson; Peggy A (LAA); Butler; Jay (HSS-CDC); Castrodale; Louisa J (HSS); 'Silveraurora'; tfarm@mabeltel.coop; Havemeister; Franci A (DNR); Palin; Sarah H (GOV); agusty@ktva.com; Shattuck; Rex (LAA); 'Heather Christensen'; 'Heather Fair'; ralph@akchip.com

**Cc:** DEC Legislative Contacts

**Subject:** RE: 367

Dr. Gerlach, I appreciate your comments below and taking the time to address this issue. Where in this House Bill does it say that raw milk sold to the consumer will only be consumed raw? It does NOT. While many consumers prefer to drink raw milk much as they prefer to eat raw fish in Sushi Bars and Steak Tartar (ground raw beef) in some of the finest restaurants in Alaska, this law does not prohibit the consumer from pasteurizing the milk they take home from a farm **if they so choose**. To jump to the conclusion that all Alaskans will drink only fresh raw milk purchased in it's raw state is preposterous. To require all Alaskans to cook their milk before consumption **is equally preposterous**. The enzymes and natural cultures present in raw milk makes some of the finest fresh artisan cheeses in this world today. If I want to buy raw milk and make fresh cheese for myself and my family, I am intelligent enough to follow directions and do so. The present law PROHIBITS MY ABILITY TO DO SO legally.

We in Alaska do not need a law that requires us to cook all raw fruits, raw vegetables, raw meats, raw fish, nor raw eggs, nor do we need a law requiring us to cook (or purchase only cooked) milk. The right to purchase fresh raw products from local producers including raw milk is in place, by law, in the majority of states in the United States, **preserving the rights of citizens, RELIGIOUS CULTURES, ETHNIC CULTURES, and the citizen's right to freedom of choice.**

From Christianity Today magazine, February 27, 2008:
**"3. You gotta fight for your right to raw milk**
Milk that comes straight from the cow tastes a lot different than the kind you buy in the store. Partly, that's because pasteurization kills off the bacteria and destroys the milk's vitamins. In response a lot of farmers, including many Christians, drink their milk raw. Unfortunately for them, it's illegal to sell raw milk. But you can drink your milk from your own cow. Some farmers sell shares of their cows and give the "owners" their raw milk.
You can be sure that plenty of farmers are watching the case of Arlie Stutzman, who was busted for selling an undercover agent raw milk. "While I can and I have food, I'll share it," said Stutzman, who is Amish. "Do unto others what you would have others do unto you."
"We know people are deprived of this real food," he told The Washington Post."

I don't believe that I need to go into great detail here on behalf of the many ethnic and religious cultures present in Alaska today, including Amish as an example above, and each group's

specific milk procurement and handling dictations, but will be happy to if needed. We are reminded to respect those ethnic cultures and religions in Alaska that require raw milk as part of their practices. The population of Alaska is not solely made of up of Ethno-Europeans – all Alaskans should be treated fairly and equitably and have the right to purchase raw milk directly from the producer.

Those of us who are asking our state Representatives and Senators to allow Alaskans to join the ***majority*** of the states allowing the sale of raw milk directly from the farmer to the consumer are only requesting the right to procure the freshest, most wholesome product for our selves and our families. What an individual does at home with anything legally purchased should be left up to that individual, not a department of the Government of Alaska that is in place to serve Alaskans. In this society of up to the minute internet conversations and education there is no need for the state to prohibit the sale of raw milk directly from the farmer to the consumer **any longer**. There is no need any longer for the government to hold my and other's hands and tell me that I and others are a bad person for purchasing **any** fresh item from the local producer of my choice – purchase raw milk for personal use, whatever that use may be in the privacy of our homes, to include but not limited to drinking it cooked, raw, or white-washing a barn with it. Since one of the DEC's inspectors ***this week*** has told a local Grade A milk producer to cease and desist from selling raw milk via cow shares, ALL raw milk sales in Alaska are now said to be illegal and I just will not just sit and allow an outdated law to take away my right to choose without standing up for my rights and those of my fellow Alaskans. There is no reason for Alaskans to purchase and have flown in fresh raw milk from another state. I am asking our State Representatives and Senators to continue to support the rights of it's citizens to have the freedom to choose, to include the purchase of fresh raw milk from the producer of each individual's choice. There is no longer a need for the state to require the delivery of all raw milk produced in this state to a state-owned creamery; nor is there a need any longer for the state to protect it's financial investments in the repeatedly-failed state-sponsored dairies of the 80's and 90's. That dismal chapter in our state's history is closed! It is time to move on and allow the citizens of Alaska to buy fresh raw milk from the small or large producer themselves and to support Alaska's economy. It is time to allow the citizens of Alaska the **freedom of choice without fear of legal prosecution,** that legal right which the majority of other US citizens have already in place. Please let the citizens of Alaska have the legal right to purchase any farm product produced in this state, including farm fresh raw milk, as they so choose.

With respect,
Suzanne Nevada
District 15
Wasilla
907-373-2687

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**From:** Gerlach, Robert F (DEC) [mailto:bob.gerlach@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:19 PM
**To:** theider; McLaughlin, Joseph B (HSS); Hartig, Lawrence L (DEC); Easton, Dan (DEC); Ryan, Kristin J (DEC); Fuller, Jay D (DEC); Rice, Cherie L (DEC); Havemeister, Franci A (DNR); Lieutenant Governor Sean Parnell (GOV sponsored); rainy4279@aol.com; rep_carl_gatto@legis.state.ak.us; rep_mark_neuman@legis.state.ak.us; goatmilk@gci.net; rqw@mtaonline.net; safallon@aol.com; Huggins, Charlie (LAA); Green, Lyda N (LAA); artemisdreaming@hotmail.com; rep_anna_fairclough@legis.state.ak.us; rep_craig_johnson@legis.state.ak.us; rep_scott_kawasaki@legis.state.ak.us; Roses, Bob (LAA); Edgmon, Bryce E (LAA); Guttenberg, David (LAA); Kelly, Mike (LAA); Seaton, Paul (LAA); Wilson, Peggy A (LAA); Butler, Jay (HSS-CDC); Castrodale, Louisa
**Cc:** Silveraurora; DEC Legislative Contacts
**Subject:** RE: 367

Ms. Heider,

I appreciate your email and feel that it is your right and responsibility to question the regulations and ask for a justification of why they are in place. At this time the regulations regarding the sale an processing of dairy products prohibit the sale and distribution of raw milk in Alaska. This is consistent with the regulations of 21 other states. I thought you should know the topic of raw milk is very popular and being discussed in several states. Many authorities have been consulted and in order to protect the public health the following agencies and groups to oppose the sale and distribution of raw milk to the public due the health hazards associated with the product.

Alaska Department of Health and Social Services
American Medical Association
American Veterinary Medical Association
American Academy of Pediatricians
American Public Health Association
Centers for Disease Control
Federal Food and Drug Administration
International Association for Food Protection

National Farm Bureau
National Association of States Departments of Agriculture
National Environmental Health Association
National Association of Food and Drug Officials

It is not my intention to prohibit or deny your choice to drink raw milk but it is the of this position of this office and the Department of Health and Social Services to protect public health. That is why neither this office nor the Department of Health and Social Services can support the sale and distribution of raw milk to the public.

I have had similar questions regarding the ones that you have raised about the other raw foods and the risk of food borne diseases. The degree of risk varies depending on the origin of the food product, how it is raised, how it is handled and marketed and how it is handled (stored and cooked) by the consumer. There is no doubt the risk associated with raw foods is much greater. Chicken, beef, eggs and some seafood although sold raw are handled in such a manner to reduce the contamination with disease causing pathogens and these are intended to be cooked to eliminate any pathogens that may be inherently present in the product. The public health Officials in Alaska as well as the federal agencies regulating foods try to minimize the disease risk to the public by requiring certain procedures to be followed at critical handling or processing steps each specific to the type of food. For milk, pasteurization has been the process used to reduce the risk of food borne diseases. The goal is to minimize the risk as much as possible. It is impossible to eliminate the risk completely, only to reduce it in an attempt to stop the negative effects of a food borne disease outbreak.

Unfortunately, the current scientific research shows the risks associated with raw food products is increasing. One area of increased risk is the greater incidence of multidrug resistant bacteria being found on farms and on agricultural products. These pathogens are resistant to the standard treatment offered by the medical profession, require extraordinary measures to manage and put patients at greater risk for a poor prognosis and outcome. The historic evidence illustrates that about 90 % of the food borne outbreaks associated with raw milk have occurred in states that regulate the sale of the product. Several states that allow the sale of raw milk have just revised their regulations in an attempt to deal with this problem. California, for example, in response to an disease outbreak (September 2006) in January 2007 tightened the regulations regarding the sale of raw milk. It is not possible to eliminate the risk associated with raw milk but it may be reduced by pasteurization. If you are interested in finding more information concerning the outbreak in California or other states, I would encourage you to contact the state health departments involved in the investigation since I have found this information to be most accurate.

In evaluating the risk of food borne disease related to dairy products, I focus on the dairy products and only compare the risks associated with raw milk in comparison to pasteurized milk products. Using this comparison the risks associated with raw milk products are significantly greater. It is important to remember that pasteurized milk is not sterilized and as I mentioned there is risk associated with all food products. In this case the logic is sound, compare the risks associated with similar food groups, use regulations to minimize the risk of disease as

best as we are able to protect public health.

Thank you for your email,
Bob Gerlach

Robert F Gerlach VMD
Alaska State Veterinarian
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**To:** McLaughlin, Joseph B (HSS); Hartig, Lawrence L (DEC); Easton, Dan (DEC); Ryan, Kristin J (DEC); Fuller, Jay D (DEC); Rice, Cherie L (DEC); Havemeister, Franci A (DNR); Lieutenant Governor Sean Parnell (GOV sponsored); rainy4279@aol.com; rep_carl_gatto@legis.state.ak.us; rep_mark_neuman@legis.state.ak.us; goatmilk@gci.net; rqw@mtaonline.net; safallon@aol.com; Huggins, Charlie (LAA); Green, Lyda N (LAA); artemisdreaming@hotmail.com; rep_anna_fairclough@legis.state.ak.us; rep_craig_johnson@legis.state.ak.us; rep_scott_kawasaki@legis.state.ak.us; Roses, Bob (LAA); Edgmon, Bryce E (LAA); Guttenberg, David (LAA); Kelly, Mike (LAA); Seaton, Paul (LAA); Wilson, Peggy A (LAA); Gerlach, Robert F (DEC)
**Cc:** Silveraurora
**Subject:** HB: 367
**Importance:** High

I wish to voice my support in favor of raw milk, and raw milk products sales.

There are a number of reasons for my wholehearted support-

Alaskans are already able to either grow, catch, or harvest quite a number of raw products (shellfish, fishes, berries, wild game, vegetables they grow, and other edibles from the wildlands) locally. From subsistence hunter/gatherers, to suburban residents who scour the forest for mushrooms, fiddle head ferns and edible greens to enhance a healthy diet, we are well versed in proper and safe food handling and preparation. Why would raw milk be any different?

In the stores are 100s of raw products from unknown locations that are subjected to tremendous shipping lengths- such as eggs, milk products, fruits, vegetables, fish, and of course grocery shelves brimming with "short shelf life" meats of all kinds. Also deli meats and foods prepared thousands of miles away and offered to Alaskans every day. On many of these products, there is no signage informing the consumer where the product came from, let alone when it was harvested or prepared. Just an "expiration date" on refrigerated items.

With fresh, local raw milk and milk products, I will *know* where the milk comes from. I will be able to see for myself the farming practises, examine the premises and make an informed decision about whether to purchase it for my family. I *cannot* do this with imported milk! Instead, I am forced to buy milk that often "goes off" in the gallon jug within days of opening. If the farm does not meet my personal criteria for safe handling, then I can chose another producer. I cannot do this as it is today. A "short shelf life" is of no concern to me, as raw milk will undoubtedly be *fresher and healthier* than what is shipped in currently. I have always supported Alaskan products in my

purchases, why should fresh *local* dairy products be out of my reach?

As a mother and consumer, I cannot even identify produce in grocery stores that comes from countries whose production methods are questionable. When there is a recall of some type, we are at the "end of the food chain" and thus, most of the item has already been purchased and in many cases consumed. With local raw milk and raw milk products, we would indeed have dairy items "fresher by far" and people who have health concerns would have a *choice. I want this choice for myself and my family.*

Since I do not farm, or have dairy animals of any type, I am unable to provide this healthy alternative (raw milk) to my family. The decision to restrict sales seems to be based upon inaccurate and unproven reports of disease and/or illness in the Lower 48. Most were "attributed" to very large scale operations, which is not the situation we have here in Alaska. Here we have a handful of struggling dairies and small livestock owners, and I say we should let the Alaska consumer prove their viability, instead of choking off an entire market sector with unecessary and outdated regulations.

As a person who has lived in several remote spots in Alaska in the 60s and 70s, I can firmly state that canned, powdered, and air shipped milk are inferior in quality to raw milk. I do recall times when "the barge" was either lost, or delayed....meaning no milk (or produce) available at all, sometimes for weeks. I have heard that there are dairy animals in the Bush....why restrict raw milk, which is healthier, and *fresh,* from those communities? Is that a wise "use" of community resources?

In my mind, the issue of raw milk sales in Alaska is about choice. I want the *freedom to chose* for myself and my family! Having the choice to purchase direct from the farmer or producer supports not only Alaska agriculture, but the health of our residents.

In a time when diversifying our tiny agricultural base is crucial to our future, it would seem obvious that Alaska should join the other 28 states who allow raw milk sales.

I urge you to support sales of raw milk and raw milk products with HB 367

Respectfully

Tiani Heider
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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:04 PM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Other

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:46 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. MICHAEL DEBERRY

address: 101 S BURBANK DRIVE APT C-38 MONTGOMERY AL 36117

MESSAGE:

Gov. Palin:

I am distressed about news reports indicating you might accept invitation to become the 2008 GOP presidential running mate. please, please, please disavow these reports publically and confirm to your constituents and fans outside of the great state of Alaska that you serve out your entire as Governor (and run for re-election)...

a Sarah Palin fan in Montgomery, AL

michael.deberry@adss.alabama.gov

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:24 PM
**To:** Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Vanguard 1-14

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**From:** Michaela Goertzen [mailto:mgoertzen@institutenorth.org]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 3:21 PM
**To:** mgoertzen@institutenorth.org
**Subject:** Vanguard 1-14

Dear Reader:

Attached please find this week's issue of the Vanguard, a newsletter providing information on national security for state and local policymakers. We thank you for your interest and support, and invite your comments.

Best Regards,

Mead Treadwell, Senior Fellow and Director, Security and Defense Program

Michaela Goertzen, Research Associate and Editor
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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:03 PM
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Elections

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:52 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Elections

Web mail *from*: Mr. Thomas Jordan

address: 713 Shipman Mtn. Ct. Windsor CO 80550

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin:

I/We've heard rumblings within the State of Colorado about your name being thrust into the selection process as a potential choice for Vice President upon the Republican ticket. Your party and country needs you please give it some serious consideration.

Respectfully,

T.R. Jordan

Tombawp@hotmail.com

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 11:51 AM
**To:** Frank Bailey
**Cc:** K Perry Yahoo; Hartig; Lawrence L (DEC)
**Subject:** Climate Change task force/boards

Frank: Gerd Wendler, UAF professor (my sister-in-law's dad), is offering to serve on anything having to do with climate change impacts- he wrote the book "The Climate of Alaska" (Chuck sent a copy to Larry Hartig)... thanks

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:41 AM
**To:** Yocom; Lauren J (GOV)
**Cc:** Spencer; Kari L (GOV); Castle; Lillian K (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Budget

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 9:49 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Budget

Web mail from: Mr. James Reynolds

address: 864 Pemberton Drive Spring Creek NV 89815

775-777-9104

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin:

I am a former resident of Alaska (1978-2006) and, after 23 years on the regular UAF faculty, am now Professor Emeritus. During my faculty tenure, I witnessed one underlying problem that affected students, faculty and staff: facility limitations. Although one can dismiss this as a common problem everywhere, that does not negate the need to address specific problems, especially for students.

SB 221 offers an opportunity to address the specific needs of students at UAF through the construction of a Biosciences Facility (BIOS). The building will benefit many UAF students. All students are required to take science courses and many choose to take biology. Biology is also the largest undergraduate, graduate and Ph.D. program at UAF. The facility will help retain quality faculty, which in turn attracts the best students

I urge you to use your influence to see that this facility becomes a reality. Thank you.

James B. Reynolds, PhD

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**Unknown**

**From:** John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:37 AM
**To:** Karen Rehfeld; Governor Sarah Palin
**Cc:** Michael Tibbles; Mike Nizich; Sharon W (GOV) Leighow; kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us
**Subject:** Fairbanks News-Miner/Congressional Earmarks

I think that Robert Dillon's story below came out pretty well for us. Hopefully, we can move on to other things with the Congressional delegation.

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# Ted Stevens to reveal requests for earmarks

By R. A. Dillon

Published Wednesday, February 27, 2008

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Sen. Ted Stevens says he will begin later this week to post all of the earmark requests his office has received from local communities and the state.

The move comes in response to calls from some national Republicans for greater transparency in the federal budget process and, specifically, criticism from Gov. Sarah Palin of the congressional delegation's use of earmarks to send millions of dollars home annually.

"There is some allegation that Senator Stevens pulls these requests out of thin air during the appropriation process," said Aaron Saunders, spokesman for Stevens. "By posting these on our Web site, we'll be able to demonstrate to Alaskans exactly where these requests come from."

Stevens plans to post all of the earmark requests he's received from state and municipal governments and private organizations for fiscal year 2009, Saunders said. The deadline for submitting earmark requests was Feb. 15.

The delegation is concerned that there's a disconnect between what the governor says in public and the funding requests that have been submitted by her administration, an Alaska congressional aide said on condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to speak on the issue.

The state has requested 31 earmarks in fiscal year 2009. Of those, 22 represent continuing appropriations from previous years, four have been funded intermittently in the past and only five requests are new.

The state's funding requests are in line with the governor's call in December to reduce the number of earmarks to no more than 10 or 12, excluding ongoing appropriations and earmarks for the Alaska National Guard, said John Katz, the governor's Washington spokesman.

"We have reduced the total number of earmark requests from 54 last year to 31," Katz said. "The total amount of money requested has gone down from $550 million to less than $200 million."

Katz met with Stevens on Monday morning to assure the senator that the state supported efforts to shine more light on the earmark process and that the governor was not trying to pick a fight with the delegation.

"I don't see any problem with Sen. Stevens posting the state's earmark requests," Katz said. "We believe they all pass muster in terms of the criteria set forth by the congressional delegation and the Bush administration.

"In each instance, there's a strong federal nexus, citizen support and reliance on an open and transparent process," Katz said. "In addition, we've included state matching funds whereever possible."

In an interview here on Saturday, Palin said the state's congressional delegation needed to change with the times and significantly curb their use of congressional earmarks.

"We can either put our heads in the sand and ignore the reforms that are coming or we can be proactive and get Alaska in a position to be more productive, contributing more and become less reliant on the federal government," Palin said.

The comments hit a nerve with Alaska's senior senator, who is renown for his ability to direct federal dollars back to the state through the earmark process.

Stevens, also a Republican, ranked second in the Senate in the number of earmarks he salted into spending bills in 2007. According to the nonprofit budget watchdog group Taxpayers for Common Sense, Stevens snagged $389 million in earmarks for projects back home.

Critics of earmarks say the process is rife for abuse by powerful lawmakers who can direct federal spending to pet projects with little or no oversight.

Stevens has repeatedly defended the use of earmarks, though, arguing that they give Congress more say over how federal dollars are spent.

"The important thing to consider is that each of these requests come from a borough, city, community or local organization," Saunders said.

Stevens supports efforts to make the budget process more transparent and has agreed to adhere to new rules adopted in the Senate requiring both the sponsor and beneficiary to be listed on each earmark, Saunders said.

"The appropriation process is not done in a smoke-filled room in the dead of night," Saunders said. "There's a process and these bills are vetted over several months."

Katz said the governor is not against the use of earmarks as long as they meet certain standards.

"She understands Congress' responsibility to appropriate funds, and earmarking is part of that responsibility," Katz said.

Stevens has repeatedly warned the state that earmarking is on the decline and that important infrastructure projects will require greater share from the state in the future.

"Stevens has gone before the Legislature for years telling them that federal support is going to slow down and that there has to be more support from the state," Saunders said. "It's clear that the state is finally getting the message."

President Bush warned Congress last month that he would veto appropriation bills that exceed his $988 billion budget request for non-military spending for fiscal year 2009 and for cutting the number of earmarks in half.

He also issued an order to federal agencies directing them to ignore earmarks in the reports that accompany spending bills, which are not legally binding. Instead, to be funded an earmark would have to be included in the language of the appropriation bill, which requires a vote by the full committee.

On Tuesday, South Carolina Republican Sen. Jim DeMint said he plans to offer an amendment in the upcoming Senate budget resolution that would establish a year-long moratorium on earmarks.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you .

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**From:** Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MATIBBLES]

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:27 AM

**To:** Sarah Palin

**Subject:** Dennis Hardy - Marine Highway

Governor,

DOT will be sending a release today announcing the resignation of Dennis Hardy. Leo will send me a draft before it goes out but I expect it will be very brief. We are also planning on touching base personally with several coastal legislators. If asked about a replacement, I plan on passing along a comment that the House Finance Committee has eliminated the Deputy Commissioner position so there is uncertainty on how we will proceed. I would also like to pass along that Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

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Mike

**Unknown**

**From:** John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:50 PM
**To:** Mike Tibbles; Governor Sarah Palin
**Cc:** kris.perry@alaska.gov; Mike Nizich; Frank Bailey
**Subject:** DC Office/personnel changes

Sam Bishop advised me today that he and his wife have decided to move back to Fairbanks. They and their children want to be closer to family and friends. Sam will be leaving the DC office effective July 1.

As Allison Nyholm has mentioned, she will be getting married and moving to Salt Lake City. Her last day in the DC office will be sometime in May.

I am sorry to loose both of them. They have been excellent public servants, but I respect their decision that family always comes first.

I wanted you to be aware of these developments rather than hearing about them from the Alaska grapevine. Of course, their leaving will have a significant impact on the DC office, and I'm beginning to think about competent replacements. If either of you or the other addressees on this email have thoughts about possible candidates, please let me know. In the meantime, I will look around myself both in Alaska and among Alaskans back here.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you .

**Unknown**

**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:53 PM
**To:** Sarah Palin
**Subject:** FW: Ladonna Westfall

Governor – Email to you. Janice

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**From:** kdl@mtaonline.net [mailto:kdl@mtaonline.net]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:59 AM
**To:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** Ladonna Westfall

Sarah,

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Also, I am waiting to hear from your office regarding if you can attend my Grand Re-opening and ribbon cutting here at Curves in Big Lake at the end of March. I will schedule it around you if you think that it is something that you would like to do.

Love to all,

Dana Lipse

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:04 PM
**To:** Sarah Palin; fek9wnr@yahoo.com
**Cc:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Schedule - Wed. 02.27 - 03.08.08

**Importance:** High

Governor - Reggie Joule's nephew died (Russ Kelly emailed you last week on this). Rep. Kerttula was asking if you had touched base with Reggie by phone in this regards. Request came from Russ Kelly. Thank you, Janice

Wed. - Friday 02.27-02.29.08 7:00 p.m. - Chugiak - Peterscreek Christian Church - Drs. Christian and Robin Harfouche - Miracle Crusade Revival - If your able to attend they would like to meet w/you and share their vision they have for the people of Alaska.

Thursday - 02.28.08 9:00 - 9:25 a.m. - Mat-Su Job Center - Governor invited to present (3) certi



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**From:** Cayce, Sunny C (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SCCAYCE]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:37 PM
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
**Subject:** RE: Other

I'll take it.

Sunny

-----Original Message-----

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 12:03 PM

To: Cayce, Sunny C (GOV)

Subject: FW: Other

Is this something that Nizich would do or would Randy do this???

Donna

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 10:58 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: morgan tucker

address: 410 rogers road kenai AK 99611

MESSAGE:

In biology we are doing the caring for the kenai projects, and i am researching what to do in case of a tsunami. I haven't really ever learned about what to do. i can't find very helpful sites either. Do you know where we should go incase of an emergency? How far inland do we drive? in kenai is there a specific place we should go? Growing up on the kenai peninsula i know that there is not many people know about what to do, and we need to know! thank you.

dont_-_judge_-_me@hotmail.com



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## Unknown

**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:17 PM
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Elections

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 2:47 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Mr. Bradley Clark

address: 188 Boat Dock Road Lakeview AR 72642

870-405-5744

MESSAGE:

Mrs. Palin:

I was recently informed that there is a possibility of you receiving the vice presidential nomination from John Mccain's campaign. As a citizen of Arkansas and a great lover of the state of Alaska, i would like to extend my support for you to do so. I knew nothing about you until i had heard this was a possibility, so i have spent the afternoon studying your voting record. I have many disagreements with Senator Mccain on issues of immigration, and his financial policies. If you were to run on his ticket, i would be more than happy to "pull the lever" for Sen. Mccain. I believe you would be a balance to the issues i do not agree with him on. From studying your voting record in the state of Alaska, I am impressed. If only we had a governor with the same conservative principals as you do in Arkansas. I know you have a busy schedule and dont have much time to read e-mails. I just felt compelled to send my support to you, and continue in your quest for conservatism in today's gove

rnment. I know it is hard. I am extremely interested in the political realm of this country. I listen and support people such as Rush Limbaugh, Sean Hannity, Mark Levin, and William F. Buckley who just recently passed away. I would like to encourage you to consider this vice presidential nomination if it is so offered. We need you, Mrs. Palin. Thank you.

Bradley Clark

clarkbradley1@hotmail.com



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## Unknown

**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:15 PM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Elections

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 2:53 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Mr. Jim Coffman

address: 17000 E Mineral Pl. Centennial CO 80016

MESSAGE:

Go For VP!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Sincerely, Jim

jimcoffman@hotmail.com

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:15 PM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Elections

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 2:56 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Mr. Larry Atwell

address: 12200-113 Atlantic Blvd. Jacksonville FL 32225

904-220-2339

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

I heard from a constitent of yours on the Rush Limbaugh's radio show today. She had a glowing account of your role in Alaska and thought you being considered as a running mate for John McCain.

Please give it your up most consideration.

Sincerely,

Larry Atwell

larry_atwell@comcast.net



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## Unknown

**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:15 PM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Elections

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:01 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Mr. Donald sebastian

address: 402 whitehorse road gastonia NC 28052

704 678 6080

MESSAGE:

i am not a resident of alaska all thought i spent 13 months on kodiak island in 1967 68.my point i hope you would be interested in the V P slot in the coming election my best regards donald

sonnygambler@yahoo.com



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## Unknown

**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:13 PM
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 3:24 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Eric Miklas

address: 47 Watson Way North East MD 21901

443-553-7649

MESSAGE:

Your name is getting mentioned as a possible VP candidate to run with Senator McCain. Is this a mere rumor or is it something that you are considering? Please advise if you can.

Best Regards,

Eric Miklas

"A Fellow Conservative"

Eric_Miklas@hotmail.com

## Unknown

**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:22 PM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Elections

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:36 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Mr. Michael Tangert

address: P.O.Box 233 Denver PA 17517

717-336-4384

MESSAGE:

Greetings Gov. Palin,

It is reported that you may run for VP on the Republican ticket. That would be great. You seem to be a warm and caring

person by your photos. You have our prayers and support.

Just remember. The convservative revolution started by

President Reagan reinstituted a culture of life, liberty

and the pursuit of happiness under God. Let's reach His

and his goals.

Thanks for listening.

matangert1@hotmail.com

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:14 PM
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Elections

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:29 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Mr. Paul Ringstrom

address: P.O. Box 1139 New Lenox IL 60451

MESSAGE:

We need you for VP on the McCain ticket.

paul@ringstrom.us



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## Unknown

**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:13 PM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 12:05 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Gwen Burchfield

address: 763 CR 1342 Pittsburg TX 75686

903-856-6604

MESSAGE:

I heard today on Rush Limbaugh's program that McCain was considering you for his VP. Please, please, if you guys can get together, do so. We have 3 congressional people (out of touch) running and we need someone like you to balance McCain out. I have never not voted but the field this year, makes me very afraid for our country. I know McCain is a war hero, but he like the 2 Decocrats leaves me without much hope for the future of our country. Thank for reading my ranble. Gwen Burchfield

gburchfield@pilgrimspride.com



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## Unknown

**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:11 PM
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:04 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Terry Richardson

address: 5228 28th LUBBOCK TX 79407

806-239-0418

MESSAGE:

Any friend of Rush's is a friend of mine! Actually, I was completely unaware of your success until Rush spoke of it. And, after studying your fine web site, I agree, you WOULD make a fine V-P candidate!

Seriously, you have a beautiful family and I wish you well as you lead your state during these difficult times.

Sincerely,

Terry Richardson

Terry.C.Richardson@ssa.gov



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## Unknown

**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:10 PM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:23 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Pastor Rob Bremer

address: 790 Hidden Valley Road Gatlinburg TN 37738

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin,

I have heard so many good things about you and your values, etc., that I urge you to accept the position of Vice President on the Republican ticket, if asked. Hopefully, Sen. McCain will be sharp enough to consider you.

I wish you the best of everything in all you endeavors.

God Bless You!

Pastor Rob Bremer - Gatlinburg, Tennessee

robspeaks@charter.net



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## Unknown

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 11:53 AM
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Cc:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: March 14 - Republican Convention

I think the intro to Michael should be enough? Instead of both?

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 28 Feb 2008 11:54:35

To:Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc:"Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: March 14 - Republican Convention

Governor - On Friday, March 14 at 7:00 p.m. per Karl Clauson - you are confirmed to do the Introduction of Michael Steele at the Republican Convention. They are also hoping that you will be available to give the Delegate Welcome at 9:00 a.m. that same day. They have to go to print by this afternoon and we need to confirm both engagements. Kris has indicated that there is work underway on a speech for this. Thanks, Janice

## Unknown

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 11:30 AM
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: interview requests

Sounds good. Do they want to do outside or in?

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 28 Feb 2008 11:25:13

To:ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: interview requests

Channel 13 will be here at noon.

Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

Deputy Communications Director

465-4031 Juneau

269-7450 Anchorage

240-7943 cell

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:13 AM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Subject: Re: interview requests

Sure. I'll be in the office in an hr until three oclock

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 28 Feb 2008 10:14:42

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: interview requests

Governor -

Channel 13 is looking for an interview on your NGA trip. Fox Business News is looking for another Exxon Valdez interview - at this point we don't have satellite confirmation so I'm not sure that will work. And Steve Quinn wants to know if you can call him after hours to talk about the state republican convention and Ben Stevens serving as national committeeman.

Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

Deputy Communications Director

465-4031 Juneau

269-7450 Anchorage

240-7943 cell



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## Unknown

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 11:24 AM
**To:** Frank Bailey; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Cc:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: AGIA

Ideally we'd have leg work underway to find a venue so we take away any argument there

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-----Original Message-----

From: frank bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>

Date: Thu, 28 Feb 2008 11:23:57

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: AGIA

This makes financial sense. We can come up with a venue that works just fine, and the public can participate much better in the process. AGIA is the future of the State's economy and public access to the process is critical.

gov.sarah@yahoo.com wrote: Sharon- it's looking like leggies are actually on track to finish up in 90 days, but if we have to hold them or call special session to consider AGIA then we have to strategize with gasline team on timing of such.

We were the nice guys last year on location of special session and "suggested" special session take place in Anchorage, this time it's obvious they desire more direction so I'll be calling it in Anchorage. It's nonsensicle to ask Revenue, DNR, Oil and Gas, Law, press, public, etc to fly to Juneau to take care of AGIA this go 'round. It'll be taken care of on the more convenient road system.

So, if asked, that's my answer - but I do understand we may want to strategize on announcing those intentions. Thanks!

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 11:01 AM
**To:** Anders, Bruce F (DNR); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Frank Bailey; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Sean personal2
**Subject:** Re: AGIA

Great! Now we just need to figure out when. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted Privileged or Personal I.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Anders, Bruce F (DNR)" <bruce.anders@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 28 Feb 2008 10:59:58

To:ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>,"Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Cc:"Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>,"Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>,"Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)" <patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>,Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>,"Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: AGIA

Right on! And it's not just for the convenience of the Administration and the press. It's about getting as many Alaskans as possible in on the discussion, and about making it easier for bush travelers we heard from who want to be involved, and TransCanada reps, and those from AGPA who want to ask the hard questions, and the many federal and Canadian representatives who want to challenge or support or just query the Administration's findings. Alaskans deserve that the logistics be easiest on everybody, even producer reps headquartered in Anchorage, who are encouraged (again) to participate. This debate is too important to exclude even one person who would have joined but for the cost to fly to Juneau. Great call, Governor.

Bruce

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thu 2/28/2008 9:55 AM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Cc: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Anders, Bruce F (DNR); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Frank Bailey; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: AGIA

Sharon- it's looking like leggies are actually on track to finish up in 90 days, but if we have to hold them or call special session to consider AGIA then we have to strategize with gasline team on timing of such.

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## Unknown

**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 11:02 AM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 11:04 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Jesse Wayne

address: P.O.Box 3039 Cody WY 82414

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin:

Today, I caught the tail-end of Rush Limbaugh's discussion about you and, judging by what I heard, I believe you should be our Republican Presidential candidate, certainly not McCain.

Born in 1941 and a life-long Conservative Republican, I'm completely disappointed with Bush and his father. I voted for senior because I thought he would carry on President Reagan's legacy, but he turned on us like a snake. Like-wise, his son's first luncheon after his first inaugural was with Mexico's Vincente Fox, who visioned "open borders fro Panama to the Yukon."

Anyway, in checking your stats (NRA life member as I), I would proudly vote for you in a heartbeat. At this point in time, I'm dubious about voting in this election. But if I don't it would be the first election I ever missed. And if I don't then I can't complain and have no say so. I will probably write-in Pat Buchanan's name... because he's the one I believe should be President.

Thank you for your time and God bless you and your family.

Jess

Navycolt1851@aol.com



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## Unknown

**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 11:00 AM
**To:** Yocom, Lauren J (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Media Advisory: Governor Palin to Honor Susan Butcher at Iditarod Start

Thanks!

----- Original Message -----

From: Yocom, Lauren J (GOV) <lauren.yocom@alaska.gov>

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Cc: Yocom, Lauren J (GOV)

Sent: Thu Feb 28 10:55:30 2008

Subject: Media Advisory: Governor Palin to Honor Susan Butcher at Iditarod Start

February 28, 2008

Governor Palin to Honor Susan Butcher at Iditarod Start

Anchorage, Alaska - Governor Sarah Palin will hold a ceremonial bill-signing honoring Susan Butcher and her many accomplishments at the start of the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race in Anchorage.

The Governor will be joined by Susan Butcher's husband and two daughters for the ceremonial signing of House Bill 37, which establishes the first Saturday of every March as Susan Butcher Day. Butcher, who won the "Last Great Race" four times, died of cancer in 2006.

House Bill 37 was sponsored by Representative David Guttenberg and Senator Joe Thomas, along with numerous co-sponsors.

Who: Governor Sarah Palin, Dave Monson and daughters Chisana and Tekla

What: House Bill 37

When: 9:45 a.m., Saturday, March 1

Where: 4th Avenue and D Street, Anchorage

Contact: Sharon Leighow (907) 240-7943

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:36 AM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:51 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Duane Berreth

address: 2400 S, Ocean Drive #4133 Ft Pierce FL 34949

7724617646

MESSAGE:

I would like to know how the Governor Palin stands in respect to abortion.

Why you ask?

Gov. Palin is reported to be a VP running mate for Sen. McCain and it would be good to know right up front.

Thanks,

Duane Berreth

Volunteer

Pregnancy Care Center

Ft Pierce, Florida

dberreth@bellsouth.net



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## Unknown

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:23 AM
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: AGIA

I know- me too!

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 28 Feb 2008 10:09:02

To:ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: AGIA

Oh this makes me happy!

Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

Deputy Communications Director

465-4031 Juneau

269-7450 Anchorage

240-7943 cell

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 9:55 AM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Cc: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Anders, Bruce F (DNR); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Frank Bailey; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: AGIA

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## Unknown

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:13 AM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: interview requests

Sure. I'll be in the office in an hr until three oclock

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 28 Feb 2008 10:14:42

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: interview requests

Governor –

Channel 13 is looking for an interview on your NGA trip. Fox Business News is looking for another Exxon Valdez interview – at this point we don't have satellite confirmation so I'm not sure that will work. And Steve Quinn wants to know if you can call him after hours to talk about the state republican convention and Ben Stevens serving as national committeeman.

Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

Deputy Communications Director

465-4031 Juneau

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:16 AM
**To:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Joule

Whats his number again?

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## Unknown

**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:12 AM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 1:06 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Robert Banker

address: 92 Denton Rd Schuyler Falls NY 12985

MESSAGE:

I'm From Noerthern New York and a conservative Republican and I think that I have finally found a Republican Politician that the party can be proud of. Everything that I have read about you, speak of a really all round great person. I think that you would make a great Vice President. I hope that the Republician Party realizes this, You would have my vote. I felt that you should hear this from an ordinary person. Keep up the great work and good luck! Bob Banker

RTSBAN@AOL.COM



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**Unknown**

**From:** Leschper, Beth (GOV) [beth.leschper@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 11:40 AM
**To:** ExternalEmailgsp; Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Subject:** sirius radio

Would you like to do a 10-15 minute interview radio show next week?
It would be on Sirius Satellite Radio on the "Wilkow Majority" with host Andrew Wilkow, the youngest national conservative talk show host.
No specific agenda, just a "get to know you" interview.

Janice said your schedule would work for either Tuesday or Wednesday next week.
If you'd like to do this, Sharon can follow up with the producer.

About Andrew Wilkow
"Reagan is good for business" was Andrew's introduction to politics. "I was real little, but that's what my dad used to say." Andrew Wilkow began his radio career at the college radio station. Conservative leaning politics were always his heart and he expressed his views on the air regularly, much to the anger of his co-workers. "I was basically just anti-P.C. at first." He broke out of music radio in 2002 when he was given a trial/fill-in slot for Mark Levin on his hometown station, WABC in NYC. "That was huge and that's when I first met Sean Hannity." Soon after that he earned a weekend slot then a full time job at an upstate station. I basically did a 300 mile roundtrip every weekend for over 3 years to do both shows. Wilkow's move to SIRIUS brings his new sound of conservative talk radio to a national audience. To quote Andrew, "Now is the time for the new school of conservative voices with a whole new style and passion – moving to SIRIUS lets me take that style and passion nationwide."

Beth

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Sharon – here's the contact info.
Nick Rizzutto
Sirius Radio
212-901-6529

Program runs from 12-3 p.m. EST (8-11 a.m. AST)
Would interview at 2 p.m. EST, which would be 10 a.m. AST.

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**From:** TIM SCHOENBERG [TSCHOENBERG@PSEA.NET]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 4:38 PM
**To:** Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)
**Cc:** Troopers; John Cyr; Rob Cox; Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Parnell; Sean R (GOV)

Commissioner Kreitzer,

I have recently read correspondence from a meeting with John Cyr the business manger of Public Safety Employees Association in which Annette Kreitzer was quoted as saying *"...if Troopers and APFO's don't like their pay and/or jobs they should get a different job. If that creates vacancies then so be it."*

Additionally in a correspondence with a trooper's wife Annette Kreitzer wrote. *"I have said in conversations with union representatives meeting in my office that I recognize that there will be some (in any negotiation, not just with PSEA) who will not be happy with the outcome of a particular contract and who may leave State service. This is not my wish, nor a desired outcome of any negotiation. I simply state it as an observation".*

This does not look favorable on your negotiating team or the administration. I would truly like for you to address these issues. From your prospective I understand the need to have clarity. It appears from part of your response to a trooper's wife you care. However, as I read the correspondence I personally am perplexed. I can tell you from my perspective that troopers and their families are becoming frustrated and even angry. Does this administration not care to listen to the training and experience of its commanders? I read from state web page part of your position as the Commissioner of the Department of Administration. *"Alaskans expect and deserve access to government with excellent service from State employees. We have many fine State employees, and need to continue to bring in and mentor younger workers to fill the ranks of seasoned employees who will be retiring".* Has your position changed?

The commanders of the Alaska State Troopers are telling the states leader and you personally Annette Kreitzer that they are in great need of troopers. They are also telling you that the benefit package is a big part of the problem. As a manager you listen to your team. You then draw from their training and experience to come to a solid decision. Respectfully, I am not seeing this from Annette Kreitzer.

Your work history has shown you to be a successful business manger in business and shows you're a manager of people. Standing before you and your team you have been provided the facts from leaders of the Alaska State Troopers telling you what they need. You have families and troopers' telling you what is happening on the frontline. You have hard data telling you we are losing people to higher paying jobs. You have statistical data telling you that we are not keeping up with inflation. An even in your own words in a recent article you have stated *"there is a constant drum beat coming from other department heads that it is difficult to find qualified job candidates in Juneau. The city's high housing costs make some lower-paid state jobs unattractive".* I would submit to you that it is not only in Juneau it is across the state for many departments not just the Department of Public Safety.

In your own word to the state you tell us *"We have many fine State employees and need to continue to bring in and mentor younger workers to fill the ranks".* What is your plan to complete this? How do you plan on retaining quality Troopers? How do you plan on bringing in

and mentoring younger workers to fill the ranks? I would ask you to listen to the voice from the members who are currently protecting the streets that you and your family are walking. Listen to the leaders with the training and experience telling you the benefit package is a big part of the problem. Without our senior people with the training and experience it is difficult to visualize mentoring.

From my perspective as 21 year trooper and a supervisor, I feel as though you may not be properly informed. However, I fail to see how this can be true. The vision I have of what is happening amongst the troopers is they are not feeling **valued** or **appreciated** for the service they are providing for citizens and this government. Not only am I seeing this on the very basic level of the troopers working the streets, but I am seeing and feeling it as a result of a recent contract with the supervisors union. I know it has been met with great disappointment. It is killing their morale. Is this your vision of how to *"retain fine State employees and continue to bring in and mentor younger workers to fill the ranks"*. I suspect from a posting regarding the contract for the supervisors union you may see this as win for the state. I personally disagree. I believe you have shown them that they are **not valued or appreciated** for what they are trying to accomplish. From a managers point of view I believe you have lost their **Trust**. They can not count on administration to give them the very basic tools to complete the job. I would request that you look at our commands ***Strategic Compass***. This may enlighten you on their vision and their need.

As a supervisor I can tell you the citizens are complaining. Please feel free to share this with your leaders. When we have 18 month troopers training 6 month troopers I see problems. We are currently at this point. We are struggling to cover shifts. We pay overtime to call troopers in to cover manpower shortages. We have troopers leaving for better paying jobs. We can not adequately investigate cases do to manpower shortage. I have citizens coming in to my office in tears because they are not getting the service they need or deserve. These very incidents brought me to my supervisors to ask them what the administration wants to tell the public because we do not have the depth, experience, or the manpower to take care of the citizen. Who is the citizen? One that sticks in my mind is a 70 year old former military soldier. He came into my office crying because his house was burglarized. I can tell you we did not adequately serve his needs. I tried to rectify that but the plain truth of is we lost his trust. We were not able to adequately investigate his case. Why because we did not have the experience or the depth on shift to cover the needs. This is not how I want to honor him? This incident which is one of many, should have a profound affect on what is a problem for our leaders. I can tell you this is just one of many complaints we have had resulting from the lack of manpower, experience and depth.

I respectfully ask you is this the best Annette Kreitzer can do for the State of Alaska? Is this the best the administration can do for the State of Alaska? I am mystified how a manager and a leader can have such a great opportunity to make a significant worthy change with so much information at her fingertips and fails to embrace it. Please enlighten the citizen and our people regarding this issue? As I envision this, your team could easily lead this administration into one of the most successful and well respected forms of government know to the State of Alaska. The people want to give their trust. They want to believe in a unified and strong government by the people and for the people. I am asking Annette Kreitzer, your negotiating team and this administration to move to make a worthy and significant change and give the Department of Public Safety the tools to recruit and retain quality people. We need a fair and quality contract and benefit package to achieve this goal. I am truly concerned that three years and another contract may be too late. I will continue to work on sending your team and the administration additional information about the quality of men and women we have. My hope is that we will all understand what is needed. *In you own words "To retain fine State employees and continue to bring in and mentor younger workers to fill the ranks".*

**If you have any questions feel free to contact me. If you desire to see what is happening first hand I would be more than willing to arrange it for you or your teams observations. If we work**

**together we can accomplish a greater goal.**

Respectfully,

Sgt. Tim Schoenberg
907-451-2968



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## Unknown

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 9:55 AM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Anders; Bruce F (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Frank Bailey; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** AGIA

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 9:37 AM
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); Todd
**Cc:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Monegan; Walt C (DPS); Wheeler; Gary R (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Schedule - Wed. 02.27 - 03.08.08

What day would that be that I'd try to fly commercial from Juneau to Anchorage then on to Fairbanks for next weekend's events?

And again- I have no idea what the issues continue to be with the availability (and $500,000 in recent repairs later) of the King Air, but it's sure a perplexing situation to realize that I never get to count on using that state transportation. I still don't want to believe the rumors/speculation that they're trying to teach me a lesson for selling the jet, but it kinda makes some sense when you consider the unreliability of my transportation that I encounter most any time I'm expected to be at events that aren't on the road system where I can just drive myself.

I hope Alaskans understand why we're not able to show up to as many events as previous Gov's may have been able to attend that require King Air transportation. Maybe touch base with Walt on this? At least ask him "who's in charge" when it comes to availability and maintanence of the state plane.

Even specifically in this case of the King Air being unavailable for my use again now for how many weeks? If this is going continue to be par for the course, we need to just shift gears away from ever expecting the aircraft would be available for my reliance on its use. I'll continue then to rely on my own driving to events on the road system and not accepting as many events that require flights, thus lessening burden on Security and DPS. It seems this is another good reason to capitalize on pending retirements, less Security needs, budget constraints, etc., and we can really pare down travel and security costs (and other burdens on DPS). That's my direction.

The biggest frustration is always having so many scheduling issues "up in the air" (which isn't fair to schedulers nor to Alaskans doing the inviting) and having to guess whether I'll be able to rely on air transportation to get me to pending events and appts.

I'm most comfortable, secure, and have more convenience when I'm able to rely on my own transportation arrangements (specifically road trips) and not reliant on speculating whether I'll be able to use state transportation or commercial.

I don't want anyone to have hard feelings over this or point fingers, but it's obvious that travel and scheduling proceedures can and should become more sensible, reliable and less costly when we get answers on why it's so difficult to count on state air transportation, and we accept that security and travel processes can be pared down from today forward in order to simplify and process travel more economically. Thanks

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From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 28 Feb 2008 08:53:00

To:ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, Todd <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>

Cc:"Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: Schedule - Wed. 02.27 - 03.08.08

I talked with security and DPS has two mechanics working on it right now. They hope to have it fixed by the weekend/first of next week. Once it is fixed they then have to test fly. We should not count on it for Fairbanks - this would have to be commercial flight.

You could take AK Flt., #185 Depart ANC 1:10 p.m arrive FBKS 2:10 p.m.

Return AK Flt., #140 Depart FBKS 7:10 p.m. arrive ANC 8:10 p.m.

Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:39 AM

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Todd

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Re: Schedule - Wed. 02.27 - 03.08.08

Is the king air available for anything? AGIA meetings? Fairbanks ice classic/international trade event(s)?

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>



PRA_GSP01_0012758

Date: Wed, 27 Feb 2008 12:04:28

To:Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, fek9wnr@yahoo.com

Cc:"Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Schedule - Wed. 02.27 - 03.08.08

Governor - Reggie Joule's nephew died (Russ Kelly emailed you last week on this). Rep. Kerttula was asking if you had touched base with Reggie by phone in this regards. Request came from Russ Kelly. Thank you, Janice

Wed. - Friday 02.27-02.29.08 7:00 p.m. - Chugiak - Peterscreek Christian Church - Drs. Christian and Robin Harfouche - Miracle Crusade Revival - If your able to attend they would like to meet w/you and share their vision they have for the people of Alaska.

Thursday - 02.28.08 9:00 - 9:25 a.m. - Mat-Su Job Center - Governor invited to present (3) certificates of completion for the graduates of the Career Readiness Training. This request was discussed w/Todd and Thomas Nelson of DOL. If Governor not available they would like Todd. Time can be adjusted.

Thursday - 02.28.08 5:30 p.m. - Sullivan Arena - Iditarod Pre-Race Musher's Banquet (GOV & Family Invited)

Friday - 02.29.08 2:15 p.m. - Town Square, South Side of Performing Art Center - Governor and Piper Invitedto ride down 9-10ft. ice slide. There will be media attending. This is the WILDFEST Winter Festival - a production of Alaska Destination Specialists, Inc. This is the first year of this festival.

Saturday - 03.01.08 2:00 p.m. - Ft. Richardson - Governor asked to attend only - no speech. Freedom Salute - Welcome Home Ceremony. 150 returning soldiers will be present.

Saturday - 03.01.08 7:00 p.m. - Wasilla - Governor and Todd invited to attend the Musher's Ball - Mistress & Master of Ceremony. Colleen will be attending and possibly Kris.

Wednesday, 03.05.08 Juneau - Meet w/St. Paul Mayor Simeon Swetzof, Jr. and appropriate staff assistants - Will provide list of issues.

Wednesday, 03.05.08 Juneau - Meet w/Kodiak Mayor Jerome Selby, City/Borough Officials of Kodiak and appropriate staff assistants - Will provide list of issues.

Wed. - Thursday, 03.05-06.08 Juneau - Emily King/Lea Domkee (JDHS Students) would like to meet with the Governor in regards to HB287 - PFD/Retirement Fund Bill. They have already met w/Russ. RECOMMEND THAT RUSS BRIEF YOU.

Thursday, 03.06.08 Juneau - Stop By - AK Council on Emergency Medical Services Meeting - Anna will provide briefing paper.

Thursday, 03.06.08 Juneau - Speech to the Alaska Forest Associations' Spring Meeting - re: timber supply solutions that the Governor envisions. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted Privileged or Personal Material Redacted Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

Friday, 03.07.08 Anchorage - Governor invited to attend and give remarks at the Go Red for Women Luncheon. If Governor could not attend they would like 3



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min. DVD with remarks from FBKS luncheon.

Saturday - 03.08.08 Fairbanks - Speech to Students Who Enjoy Economic Thinking (SWEET) - Univ. of Fbks - 46 current members. They would like GOV to speak on Alaskan economic growth and State economy. Lt. Gov has spoken in the past.

Saturday - 03.08.08 Fairbanks - Ft. Greely - Speech to Military and Government Contractors - Women's History Month Event.

Saturday - 03.08.08 Fairbanks - Courtesy Call with the new Counsul General of China, Mr. Gao. If not in Fairbanks he would be willing to travel to any city to meet through 03.10.08.

Saturday - 03.08.08 Fairbanks - 4:00 p.m. - Fur and Ice Event. The most important event for you to attend during this day is the Governor's International Reception. You would not need to attend the tour of Fairbanks. There will be approximately 60 International Guests in attendance.



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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:56 AM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:54 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Kathleen Felsing

address: 11 colburn Cir sudbury MA 01776

MESSAGE:

Hi Governor

I just read your bio and it is very impressive. I hope that Senator McCain selects you as his running mate! You are awesome. the country needs people like you in high office.

Best of luck

Kathleen

kfelsing@gmail.com

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:47 AM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 7:28 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Daymon Ekedal

address: 80225 Peak Forest Dr Indio AK 92203

760-275-4402

MESSAGE:

If Sen McCain offers the you the opportunity as VP running mate, please take it. I'd love to vote for you....

daymonekedal@yahoo.com



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## Unknown

**From:** Dwight Kramer [dwimar@gci.net]

**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 2:06 PM

**To:** King; James G (DNR)

**Cc:** Hooley; Jason M (GOV); Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Parnell; Sean R (GOV); Wagoner; Tom (LAA); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Hartig; Lawrence L (DEC); Degernes; Christina (DNR); Sinclair; Jack E (DNR)

**Subject:** 2013 2-stroke Motor Regulation Proposal

Hello James,

Please see the attached letter regarding our comments on the DNR's 2013 2-stroke regulation proposal. As you know, we did not support the original 2010 language because we felt it was arbitrary and unnecessarily restricted users at times when there was no identified violations of water quality standards. We do, however, support the 2013 date as a reasonable compromise that will serve the interest of the river and all users. We believe this additional time will give all boaters adequate time to adjust to the proposed change.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwight Kramer
KAFC Chairman

**Unknown**

**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:01 AM
**To:** Spencer; Kari L (GOV)
**Cc:** Castle; Lillian K (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Valdez City School District FY09 Funding

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**From:** Duane F. Edelman [mailto:born2bwildinalaska@yahoo.com]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:15 AM
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
**Cc:** Lieutenant Governor Sean Parnell (GOV sponsored)
**Subject:** Valdez City School District FY09 Funding

Dear Governor Palin,

Attached is a cover letter that was sent to all legislators & the supporting comparison document concerning the consequences of SB 240, HB 273 & your recommendation for education funding as it applies to Valdez City School District FY09 funding. A BSA increase of either $100.00 or $200.00 causes a deficit budget for FY09. Your consideration of the impact of education funding to our district is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Duane F. Edelman
Valdez City School District
Board Vice-President
907-255-7624 cell
907-835-5874 home

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:45 AM
**To:** william.steele1@wainwright.army.mil
**Subject:** RE: Legal_and_lawsuits

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:17 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Legal_and_lawsuits

Web mail from: Mr. Chip Steele

address: 240 Thoreau Dr Fairbanks AK 99712-3545

MESSAGE:

Chip Steele

240 Thoreau Drive

Fairbanks, AK 99712-3545

February 27, 2008

The Honorable Sarah Palin

Governor of Alaska

PO Box 110001

Juneau, AK 99811-0001

Dear Governor Palin:

Mrs. Palin, I just wanted to express my thanks to you for your support of our military and the Global War On Terrorism. I'm proud to say that i'm a resident of Alaska with you in office, showing your support for us and our mission to defeat Al Qeada in Iraq. I currently work (he is in my unit) with your son in 1/25 SBCT (Ft. Wainwright) and I'm sure he is extremely proud of how you represent us and show the support for the War in Iraq. Again, thank you for all that you do as Governor of our Incredible state of Alaska.

God Bless,

CW2 William "Chip" Steele

william.steele1@wainwright.army.mil



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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:45 AM
**To:** william.steele1@wainwright.army.mil
**Subject:** RE: Legal_and_lawsuits

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 8:20 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Legal_and_lawsuits

Web mail from: Mr. Chip Steele

address: 240 Thoreau Dr Fairbanks AK 99712-3545

MESSAGE:

Chip Steele

240 Thoreau Drive

Fairbanks, AK 99712-3545

February 27, 2008

The Honorable Sarah Palin

Governor of Alaska

PO Box 110001

Juneau, AK 99811-0001

Dear Governor Palin:

Mrs. Palin,

I forgot to add one thing in my last message. The Vets For Freedom are a good organization that I'm just getting involved in that is comprised of a great many IRAQ/AFGHANISTAN vets that are trying to make Americans aware of what "really" is going on in the Global War on Terror. It is something that was recently formed to give the American people a "real" view of what is going on overseas since the current media outlets are sending out dissinformation and propaganda about the war. We want America to hear from the soldiers that have been there and are over there. You should check it out and see if you can help them. the website is: www.vetsforfreedom.com

If you have questions, i can put you in contact with the people in charge here in Alaska. Again, keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

CW2 "Chip" Steele

william.steele1@wainwright.army.mil



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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:39 AM
**To:** Mason, Janice L (GOV); Todd
**Cc:** Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Schedule - Wed. 02.27 - 03.08.08

Is the king air available for anything? AGIA meetings? Fairbanks ice classic/international trade event(s)?

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 27 Feb 2008 12:04:28

To:Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, fek9wnr@yahoo.com

Cc:"Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Schedule - Wed. 02.27 - 03.08.08

Governor – Reggie Joule's nephew died (Russ Kelly emailed you last week on this). Rep. Kerttula was asking if you had touched base with Reggie by phone in this regards. Request came from Russ Kelly. Thank you, Janice

Wed. – Friday 02.27-02.29.08 7:00 p.m. – Chugiak – Peterscreek Christian Church - Drs. Christian and Robin Harfouche – Miracle Crusade Revival – If your able to attend they would like to meet w/you and share their vision they have for the people of Alaska.

Thursday – 02.28.08 9:00 – 9:25 a.m. – Mat-Su Job Center – Governor invited to present (3) certificates of completion for the graduates of the Career Readiness Training. This request was discussed w/Todd and Thomas Nelson of DOL. If Governor not available they would like Todd. Time can be adjusted.

Thursday - 02.28.08 5:30 p.m. – Sullivan Arena – Iditarod Pre-Race Musher's Banquet (GOV & Family Invited)

Friday – 02.29.08 2:15 p.m. – Town Square, South Side of Performing Art Center – Governor and Piper Invitedto ride down 9-10ft. ice slide. There will be media attending. This is the WILDFEST Winter Festival – a production of Alaska Destination Specialists, Inc. This is the first year of this festival.

Saturday - 03.01.08 2:00 p.m. – Ft. Richardson - Governor asked to attend only – no speech. Freedom Salute – Welcome Home Ceremony. 150 returning soldiers will be present.

Saturday - 03.01.08 7:00 p.m. – Wasilla – Governor and Todd invited to



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attend the Musher's Ball - Mistress & Master of Ceremony. Colleen will be attending and possibly Kris.

Wednesday, 03.05.08 Juneau - Meet w/St. Paul Mayor Simeon Swetzof, Jr. and appropriate staff assistants - Will provide list of issues.

Wednesday, 03.05.08 Juneau - Meet w/Kodiak Mayor Jerome Selby, City/Borough Officials of Kodiak and appropriate staff assistants - Will provide list of issues.

Wed. - Thursday, 03.05-06.08 Juneau - Emily King/Lea Domkee (JDHS Students) would like to meet with the Governor in regards to HB287 - PFD/Retirement Fund Bill. They have already met w/Russ. RECOMMEND THAT RUSS BRIEF YOU.

Thursday, 03.06.08 Juneau - Stop By - AK Council on Emergency Medical Services Meeting - Anna will provide briefing paper.

Thursday, 03.06.08 Juneau - Speech to the Alaska Forest Associations' Spring Meeting - re: timber supply solutions that the Governor envisions. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

Friday, 03.07.08 Anchorage - Governor invited to attend and give remarks at the Go Red for Women Luncheon. If Governor could not attend they would like 3 min. DVD with remarks from FBKS luncheon.

Saturday - 03.08.08 Fairbanks - Speech to Students Who Enjoy Economic Thinking (SWEET) - Univ. of Fbks - 46 current members. They would like GOV to speak on Alaskan economic growth and State economy. Lt. Gov has spoken in the past.

Saturday - 03.08.08 Fairbanks - Ft. Greely - Speech to Military and Government Contractors - Women's History Month Event.

Saturday - 03.08.08 Fairbanks - Courtesy Call with the new Counsul General of China, Mr. Gao. If not in Fairbanks he would be willing to travel to any city to meet through 03.10.08.

Saturday - 03.08.08 Fairbanks - 4:00 p.m. - Fur and Ice Event. The most important event for you to attend during this day is the Governor's International Reception. You would not need to attend the tour of Fairbanks. There will be approximately 60 International Guests in attendance.



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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 7:55 AM
**To:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** Fw: Christian and Robin Harfouche

I've recvd this msg that they're in town from a couple of people. If they're available to meet sometime today before my 3:30 appt I could fit it in, other wise doubt I could meet them. I dont have their contact info. If you do, pls let them know it looks like today may be the most convenient time.

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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Thu, 28 Feb 2008 16:52:48

To:akstork@aol.com

Subject: Re: Christian and Robin Harfouche

It's wonderful that they're here! I'm working in the Anchorage office until 3:30 today, then heading back to the Valley. I can't attend their evening meetings - and I head back out of state this weekend before returning to Juneau. Is there a minute they'd have sometime today?

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-----Original Message-----

From: akstork@aol.com

Date: Wed, 27 Feb 2008 11:18:17

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Christian and Robin Harfouche

Good morning,

Have been in the Harfouche meetings in Chugiak this week. They mentioned that they hope to meet with you while they are here. Had told their staff about our wonderful governor when they called before coming up. Have followed their ministry for years and highly recommend them. I expect they will have a powerful word for you and Alaska.

Welcome home!

Pam Weaver

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]

**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 9:22 AM

**To:** Ariel Hyams

**Subject:** RE: Matching Funds for Anchorage Pool Repair Bonds

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

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**From:** Ariel Hyams [mailto:luckyfrog4life@hotmail.com]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:29 PM
**To:** rep_craig_johnson@legis.state.ak.us; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
**Subject:** Matching Funds for Anchorage Pool Repair Bonds

Dear Representative Johnson,

My name is Ariel Hyams and I'm from Anchorage.
I support the State of Alaska appropriating funds to match the $2 million Anchorage Pool Repair Bond. Pools are important to the safety and health of all Alaskans. They are also incredibly important to me. I have been swimming competitively for 11 years and I have a hard time imagining what else I would do if the pools were to close. Please support the pool bonds and keeping our pools open!

Sincerely,
Ariel Hyams

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Climb to the top of the charts! Play the word scramble challenge with star power. Play now!

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 7:19 AM
**To:** Meghan Stapleton
**Cc:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: budget ideas

Oh, amen. I told John Katz that - we don't mind at all that Stevens wants to post earmark requests (tho evidently Stevens wanted to do this to ding us) because it will prove we've only asked for 4 or 5 new ones (totaling 30-something that include continuation of old but sensible earmarks with a Federal nexus)... versus the 154 requests we inherited from prior administration that Stevens had to deal with.

Too bad Stevens doesn't see our efforts as being good for him, and really our reform efforts are at the request of him and Young - telling us to quit expecting so many federal dollars.

Back in DC the whole earmark reform issue was thee hot topic - from speaking with McCain, Bush, Transportation Secretary Peters, other Govs, etc.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Meghan Stapleton <Privileged or Personal Material R>

Date: Wed, 27 Feb 2008 12:54:42

To:<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc:<kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: budget ideas

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From the ADN:

Who wants what. Stories from the <http://newsminer.com/news/2008/feb/27/ted-stevens-reveal-requests-earmarks/> Fairbanks Daily News-Miner and <http://aprn.org/2008/02/26/senator-stevens-to-make-earmark-requests-public/> APRN say that Sen. Ted Stevens plans a feature on <http://stevens.senate.gov/public/> his web site that will list all the requests for earmarks that come in to his office from Alaskans.

"People have got to understand we're here to get those requests," Stevens said. "And the problem is how many of them there are and how difficult it is when some people at home criticize us for trying at all and others criticize us for not getting more."

Federal earmarks have become immensely controversial, with specific projects linked to Alaska's delegation — including bridge proposals and a Florida road funding item pushed by Rep. Don Young — drawing some of the hottest criticism.



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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 6:04 AM
**To:** Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Rep. Joule's nephew

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 27 Feb 2008 14:35:49

To:ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: Rep. Joule's nephew

I did some checking and found out the following via Janice and Russ (his request):

Rep. Joule's nephew, Martin Oktollik, Jr., died recently after suffering a stroke. He was 39-years-old and left a young family behind (five young children, with another child on the way). Rep. Joule had been back home dealing with it, but is now back in Juneau.

Russ is hoping you could call Rep. Joule. His cell # is (907) 350-5057. Rep. Kerttula also brought this up to Mike and she felt strongly that Reggie would appreciate it.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:51 PM

To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Fradley, Tara D (GOV)

Subject: Re: Rep. Joule's nephew

Do I know the person? I'm wondering if I'm missing something with this request from Janice.

------Original Message------

From: Kris Perry

To: Governor Sarah Palin

To: Tara Fradley

Sent: Feb 27, 2008 1:49 PM

Subject: RE: Rep. Joule's nephew

I talked w/Janice and they were hoping for a phone call to him. I will get his number and have it for you tomorrow in case you call (unless you need sooner). We will send a condolence letter.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 1:34 PM

To: Fradley, Tara D (GOV)

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Rep. Joule's nephew

Janice said his adult nephew died last week, another Rep has asked if we contacted him- so if we haven't done a card for him yet would you print one out and send to Joule? Thank you

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 6:08 AM
**To:** Leschper, Beth (GOV); ExternalEmailgsp
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Your Meeting

Thanks beth. Thanks for all your good efforts on the trip- janice too!

----- Original Message -----

From: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

To: ExternalEmailgsp; Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Sent: Wed Feb 27 17:27:44 2008

Subject: FW: Your Meeting

Thought you might like to read this!

Beth

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From: Noel Kolak [mailto:kolak@hoover.stanford.edu]

Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:29 PM

To: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Subject: Re: Your Meeting

Dear Beth,

Thank you for your e-mail. I have just returned home this evening to Santa Fe, New Mexico, after being in Washington for our meeting, and was thinking on the plane that one of the first people to whom I wanted to write was you.

Governor Palin was absolutely fantastic. Her talk was excellent. (It was obvious that someone had done some research on the Hoover Institution -- which was great!) and she did a superb job during the Q&A. I heard people afterward saying things like "She's a real fireball. We need more people in government like her." Other adjectives I heard were "genuine, unaffected, straightforward, thoughtful." She was, in other words, a total success. I hope you will convey to her our deep appreciation for having made time for us in her schedule.

The meeting was, overall, from the accounts that I am hearing, a real success, and Governor Palin was a very important part of it all.

Again, many, many thanks for all your help. Janice Mason was hugely helpful, too. Please convey my thanks to her as well.

All the very best,

Noel

At 06:19 PM 2/26/2008, you wrote:

Just checking to see how your meeting went!

I know you put in incredible effort to make it a success.



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When you get the opportunity, let me know how Gov. Palin's remarks went.

And please send me the audio/video when it's available.

With Warmest Regards,

Beth

Beth Leschper

Deputy Communications Director

Office of the Governor

State of Alaska

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**From:** CHERYL L GILMOUR [CLGILMOUR@PSEA.NET]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 5:50 PM
**To:** Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)
**Cc:** Palin, Sarah H (GOV); Parnell, Sean R (GOV)
**Subject:** "Good Policing...Is the First Line of Defense...Against Human Rights Violations"

Dear Commissioner Kreitzer:

"Good Policing...Is the First Line of Defense...Against Human Rights Violations"...this quote came from a United Nations speaker at a Women In Policing Conference, years ago. I remember this quote daily when getting ready to work. "Good Policing is about hiring enough good people, training them to be better, giving them laws that enable them to protect citizens". It is imperative that DPS employees are able allowed to do their jobs.

We all know that Law Enforcement Officers have been exposed to number of diseases while performing our jobs...HEB, TB, HIV, and now Meth Labs. These factors are a significant danger to all of us, from the VPSO who responded to a Domestic Violence call, CSO serving writs or having the defendant at Arraignments, a Trooper trying to remove a child from the situation or Investigate a crime. We all have exposure to these types of conditions in trying to protect and serve the citizens of Alaska.

One of the hiring slogans for the Troopers is "ordinary people doing extraordinary things"...the reality of the situation is DPS requires "extraordinary people to do extraordinary assignments". It is the job of this administration to make it possible for this to happen by good contracts and support of their employees. You expose the most vulnerable of our citizens to less then our best when you do not provide the resources required.

I was born and raised in Alaska and so were my children. I have been a state employee for 18 years and worked as a CSO for the last 15 years. I am very proud to work for Alaska State Troopers and the citizens of Alaska.
Sincerely,

Cheryl L. Gilmour
P.O. Box 83357
Fairbanks, AK. 99708

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**From:** STEVEN R LANTZ [SRLANTZ@PSEA.NET]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:18 AM
**To:** Palin, Sarah H (GOV)
**Cc:** Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA); Parnell, Sean R (GOV); Troopers; Rob Cox; John Cyr
**Subject:** PSEA Negotiations

Gov. Palin

I was saddened today to learn that contract negotiations between our great State of Alaska, rich in resources and revenue, and that of our Public Safety Employees Association are failing.

I was saddened to learn that you and your designee, specifically DOA Commissioner Kreitzer, have a "if Troopers and APFO's don't like their pay and/or jobs they should get a different job. If that creates vacancies then so be it" approach to your finest resource: the men and woman of law enforcement.

Fact is Governor Palin you can't hire someone else. You, the Governor of this great State, haven't been able to fill the roughly 50 vacant positions the Dept. of Public Safety currently has. You, Gov. Palin, can't fill them because the State Trooper wage and benefits are not competitive with other agencies in this state or in this country.

Additionally, Governor Palin, the failure to fill funded Trooper positions is a DANGER to the citizens of this Great State. Incidentally it is also a danger to the Troopers you care so little about. Would it be unreasonable to see lawsuits from widowed spouses when their loved ones die as a result of poor staffing levels. Costing the State much more then that of a competitive wage.

What was once the premiere law enforcement agency in the state and arguable the nation has been diminished to a training ground for agencies such as the Anchorage Police Department, Fairbanks Police Department, Sitka Police Department, and even Juneau Police Department who all provide better working conditions, wages, and benefits then your Dept. of Public Safety.

Governor Palin I think the voting public would be absolutely horrified to know that you and your administration have a reckless disregard for the quality of law enforcement they receive. A disregard for their very safety you pledged to not only provide but improve.

The Great State of Alaska enjoys unprecedented revenue surplus's that won't soon go away. It enjoys a multi billion dollar savings account in the PFD. Millions, no Billions, continue to poor into this state as a result of $100/barrel oil while your citizens, your employees, and State Troopers alike struggle to pay for their utilities as a result of that same $100/barrel oil. Troopers in rural communities are borrowing money from family to pay bills Gov. Palin. They surely appreciate a 4% wage and "we don't care" offer.

Your Commissioner of DOA presented an offer of a 4% wage increase for the folks who put their lives on the line for families like yours. I don't have to tell you that does not come close to inflation. That doesn't cover the increase in cost of electric much less fuel, food, medical costs, and housing costs. Law Enforcement Officers working for YOU are using the money their children, like yours, receive from the PFD to buy them clothes and food. There was a time when your Law Enforcement Officers could invest their children's PFD for college. I'm sure you are. Your State Troopers and Airport Fire and Police Officers are working hundreds of hours of overtime because they are short staffed and to make ends meet financially.

I wait anxiously to see what the citizen response will be when they find out their Governor Palin has a reckless disregard for their safety and that of their families. Rural communities are already crying out for more law enforcement. The legislature is crying out for more law enforcement. They want to pay VPSO's more then starting Troopers. Citizens are outraged that their crimes are going unsolved. And when they find out you don't care if the Law Enforcement Officers you have quit or not it should be very interesting.

Gov. give me hope that this state and it's elected officials put more worth on their Guardians then driving them into welfare status. Give me hope that the families of Law Enforcement Officers, their spouses, and children mean more to you, a mother and wife, then 4% in the richest state in the union. Rest assured that when citizen's burglaries get solved, their highways are safe, and their rural communities are protected you will be hailed as a hero across this

entire state. They'll vote to change the law allowing unlimited terms in office.

AGIA is great Gov. Palin, but when construction starts your State Troopers will NOT be able to keep up with the crime that the money and construction of that project brings to society unless You start planning now by offering competitive wages that will fill the ranks of the State Troopers. Waiting till there is a problem is not possible in Law Enforcement. Hiring and training just take to long.

Governor, as a voting citizen I'm confident you will see the right thing to do is direct your DOA Commissioner to negotiate a contract comparative to that of Anchorage Police Department. I know your Department of Public Safety needs it. And I definitely know that the citizens deserve it. Give me a reason to re-elect you. Give Alaska a reason.

Good Luck and God Bless,
Steve Lantz
Alaska Citizen



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**From:** STEVEN R LANTZ [SRLANTZ@PSEA.NET]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:08 AM
**To:** Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)
**Cc:** Troopers; Rob Cox; John Cyr; Palin, Sarah H (GOV); Parnell, Sean R (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Concerned Citizen & Wife of an Alaska State Trooper

See comments below.

----- Original Message -----
From: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA) <mailto:annette.kreitzer@alaska.gov>
To: champs3@acsalaska.net
Cc: Brooks, Kevin A (DOA) <mailto:kevin.brooks@alaska.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 27, 2008 11:27 AM
Subject: RE: Concerned Citizen & Wife of an Alaska State Trooper

Dear Mrs. Sherbahn:

During negotiations I make a point of not responding to many emails I receive from members of a particular union or families of union members. However, when a writer attributes a statement to me that I have not made, I need to correct that misimpression. You wrote:

"Based on current contract negotiations and the Department of Administration's comment, "They can find other jobs!", I feel this administration does not care."

I don't know anyone at the negotiating table from my office who has made this statement. I have said in conversations with union representatives meeting in my office that I recognize that there will be some (in any negotiation, not just with PSEA) who will not be happy with the outcome of a particular contract and who may leave State service. This is not my wish, nor a desired outcome of any negotiation. I simply state it as an observation.

I respect the work of the Alaska State Troopers, and I appreciate the dedication they show to their fellow citizens. Your support of your husband and your dedication to your family speaks highly of your own character. Thank you for taking time from your probably very hectic schedule to let me know your thoughts.

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Comm. Kreitzer,
I'm confused. Does this mean that you and your team are determined to make the Department of Public Safety competitive in the Job Market to better serve the citizens of Alaska?

Additionally are you suggesting that our own representation is lying? Based on the insulting offers your agency has brought to the table I would be more inclined to believe our representation when they return from a meeting with you and explain to the members that the Comm. of DOA doesn't care if people leave state service.

In any event, regardless of what the exact verbage was, a 4/3/3 offer and the loss of additional Troopers on the street is exactly the message you and Gov. Palin are sending: that you don't care. You are telling every member of DPS, and the citizens of Alaska, that their lives mean nothing to the Great State Of Alaska.

Additionally this isn't about a few people not being happy with a contract or it's negotiations Comm. This is about an entire agency being insulted that we are expected to continue to work with fewer people, increasing the danger of an already dangerous job, and sacrifice our families well being because this states elected officials and their appointed personal have zero desire to provide the appropriate resources to acquire the best there is. Brian

Wassmann made a mistake in his letter to you. We ARE NO LONGER the premiere agency anywhere. We were but no longer are.

Interestingly I noticed on the state web site that you are on the Governors work group to recruit and retain state workers. How's that going so far. The SU is ready to strike after their contract and we have large numbers of troopers prepared to resign. If 3/3/3 -> 4/3/3 or 5/3/3 is all you can come up with for state employees then someone needs to loose their job and be removed from that work group because that just isn't getting it done.

I'm excited to see where we go from here Comm. I'm sure that with this new information about your support for DPS and Your State Troopers things will get much better very soon.

Good day,
Steve Lantz
Alaska Citizen
State servant

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:46 AM
**To:** Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Invitation to 2008 Milken Institute Global Conference

**From:** Milken Institute [mailto:milkeninstitute@lists.milkeninstitute.org]
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 27, 2008 4:02 PM
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
**Subject:** Invitation to 2008 Milken Institute Global Conference




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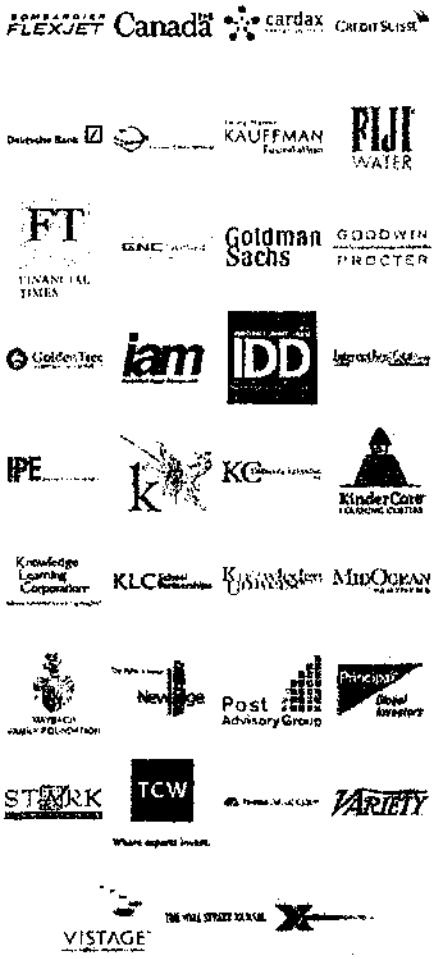
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**From:** Frye, Ivy J (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRYE]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:09 PM
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com'; 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Fw: Psea

You guys may know, psea could come out w negative ads soon. My email to annette is below.

----- Original Message -----

From: Frye, Ivy J (DOA)

To: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)

Sent: Thu Feb 28 20:07:51 2008

Subject: Psea

Commissioner:

Was thinking we could take the air out of psea's new ads by being proactive and sending a press release out before their ads come out. If they're going to say you and the governor don't understand the constitution we should say FIRST that the governor remains committed to constitutionally madated services and that psea like other unions are receiving bettwr contracts than they've seen in yrs. I'll finish looking over the constitution for you in the morning and get you some specifics for a press release if you decide to go that route.

Ivy



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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 6:53 PM
**To:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
**Cc:** Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** Stoltze

I have an original letter here from Bill re: predator control, HB256 and SB176. Did others see the letter? There's no marking on this one indicating so.

Russ - Pls let Stoltze know we take him up on his offer to help with these, and whatever else he needs to hear in terms of a response.

Also, Russ- awesome job on KTUU tonight! Thank you

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**From:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 6:03 PM
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
**Subject:** Steve Quinn

Governor-

Just a reminder, if you have a moment please call Steve regarding state party issues. 5861515 thanks



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**From:** Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 5:36 PM
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
**Subject:** Re: PSIO

Dear governor palin. This has nothing to do with the attached email chain. Unfortunately I am on my blackberry. I just wanted to give you a few updates. Today in anchorage our attys argued the federal case for upholding a city tax exemption for church school housing. One of the arguments is that secular institutions allow it. Judge Spaan apparently focused on whether the exemption established religion. The media was there in force. The anchorage Baptist temple supported our side. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted Privileged or Personal Material Redacted I am in DC. I met with Katz today. I can brief on my conversation when I return. I attended the Exxon supreme court argument. I am sure you have heard about it. My thoughts are that Privileged or Personal Material Redacted Justice Thomas said nothing. The other seven present justices all had questions. Privileged o Privileged or Personal Material Redacted Privileged or Personal M I will be attending the attorney general meeting and returning to Alaska Wednesday.
One other thing there is apparently a daily news reporter trying to check whether I am conducting a secret investigation into an OCS case in the valley about an infant. We don't confirm or debt investigations to the press Privileged or Personal Material Redacted Privileged or Personal Material Redacted . Talis.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)

Sent: Mon Feb 25 06:47:20 2008

Subject: Fw: PSIO

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Mon, 25 Feb 2008 15:44:07

To:"Sharon Leighow" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>,"Beth Leschper" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>,"John Katz" <jwkatz@alaskadc.org>

Cc:"Mike Tibbles" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>,"Tom Irwin" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>,"Marty Rutherford" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>,jonne.slemons@alaska.gov,"Bruce Anders" <bruce.anders@alaska.gov>,"Joe Balash" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>,"Russ Kelly"

<russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Subject: PSIO

Sharon- I'm shocked and disappointed Chenault's taking out PSIO positions and BP corrosion lawsuit funds out of my budget. Im back here in DC speaking with Cneney (sat with him the entire State dinner last night), will try to speak w/Bush today... speaking with national reporters and all these governors all about AK's proof that we can provide sound oversight of resource development, as evidenced by PSIO, lawsuits to hold industry's feet to the fire re: waste of valuable natural resources, etc... and here while I'm away I find out the legislature may undermine those efforts? It's unacceptable if the nation is to believe we're capable of responsible, ethcial ramped up development that's need in our state, for our nation.

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**From:** KARL J ERICKSON [KJERICKSON@PSEA.NET]

**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 4:56 PM

**To:** Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Parnell; Sean R (GOV); Kreitzer; Annette E (DOA)

**Subject:** AST

Respectfully I submit the following.

I was born and raised in bush Alaska. I have been in Law Enforcement for 19+ years, 17+ with the Alaska State Troopers, which makes me one of the old guys. I have spent 14 years working in the Bush, my locations have been Anchorage, Kotzebue, Soldotna, Glennallen, Kotzebue and Unalakleet.

The Academy seems like a lifetime ago as I enter the later part of my career. As I look back over my career one of the things that stands out is the change in our place in the "hierarchy" of departments in the State. At one point we stood out as the premier organization, as far as employment package and personnel. We no longer standout in those respects.

As I recall the last few years we have been "blessed" with a 3% increase in our wages each year! Before I could celebrate those increases, I was reminded that my "state housing" bill jumped 3% to coincide with my "raise". That sure put allot of "extra" money into my pocket. So forgive me when I look very cynically at the 3/3/3 and then 4/3/3 numbers the DOA presented to PSEA at the last meeting.

I have read alot about comparing AST and APD and yes their employment package is better, yes they have taken several of our troops and continue to do that. In my opinion it is like comparing apples and oranges. While we do many things similar to them, they don't do many things similar to us. At the beginning of my career I worked along side of them in Anchorage. When they needed back up, they got a half dozen or more cars/officers. Out here in the bush there usually is not back up. I don't recall the last time a APD officer switched to AST, that speaks volumes.

We struggle to fill vacancies statewide and specifically in the bush. With the current contract proposals offered by the DOA, you will never get those vacancies filled. I would compare this to swimming up a waterfall, it ain't going to happen.

Being a "career" bush trooper I want to point out a few of the costs all residents of the bush deal with. Gas $5.00 a gallon, a gallon of milk for $8.00, a dozen eggs for $4.00 and so on. Again these are costs all residents out here deal with. The difference is that I am doing a job out here that no one else wants to do, can do or is willing to do. Someone once gave me a story of "Sheepdogs", it talks about society being Sheep, Wolves and Sheepdogs, well I am a Sheepdog. When the shots are fired, I am the one running towards the shots, while everyone else is running away. I often wonder what it would be like to have a job that did not require a ballistic vest and a gun on my waist, I along with all the Troopers and other Law Enforcement officers put our life on the line everyday. When all the Sheepdogs are gone who will protect the Sheep?

Please make a decision to make sure there are Sheepdogs and that the compensation is worth risking their lives everyday. The decision is yours to make.

thank you for you time,
Karl Erickson
Unalakleet, Ak. 99684

**Unknown**

**From:** John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 6:23 AM
**To:** Mike Tibbles; gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Cc:** Kris Perry; M Nizich; Frank Bailey
**Subject:** Re: DC Office/personnel changes

I have posed that question to him. He is going to look around a bit and then let us know.

It was good to see you on Tuesday.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you .

>>> On 2/28/2008 at 10:07 AM, in message <489377320-1204211499-cardhu_decombobulator_blackberry.rim.net-746166270-@bxe103.bisx.prod.on.blackberry>, <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> wrote:

> Ok thanks - I'll be thinking of others, while you also think of replacements and/or reconfigurations. Does Sam want to cont working for the state while back in AK?
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> From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>
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> To:"Mike Tibbles" <tibbles@alaska.net>,"Governor Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
> Cc:<kris.perry@alaska.gov>,"Mike Nizich" <Mike.Nizich@alaska.gov>,"Frank Bailey" <ftb907@yahoo.com>
> Subject: DC Office/personnel changes
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> Sam Bishop advised me today that he and his wife have decided to move back to Fairbanks. They and their children want to be closer to family and friends. Sam will be leaving the DC office effective July 1.
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> As Allison Nyholm has mentioned, she will be getting married and moving to Salt Lake City. Her last day in the DC office will be sometime in May.
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> I am sorry to loose both of them. They have been excellent public servants, but I respect their decision that family always comes first.
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> I wanted you to be aware of these developments rather than hearing about them

from the Alaska grapevine. Of course, their leaving will have a significant impact on the DC office, and I'm beginning to think about competent replacements. If either of you or the other addressees on this email have thoughts about possible candidates, please let me know. In the meantime, I will look around myself both in Alaska and among Alaskans back here.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is <mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org> jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you .

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**From:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]

**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 4:10 PM

**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Bailey; Frank T (GOV)

**Cc:** Leschper; Beth (GOV)

**Subject:** San Francisco Chronicle

http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/blogs/sfgate/detail?blogid=14&entry_id=24593

## Who's Sarah Palin? She's Hot where He's Not




Forget regional balance and those white guys in suits. Alaska's young, hot, Vogue-posing, female Republican governor could become the popular favorite to be Sen. John McCain's running mate.

Named by Alaska Magazine as "America's Hottest Governor," Palin (pronounced Pay-lin) is getting big buzz in the conservative press and talk radio. Fans have a "Draft Sarah Palin" movement. What better balance for the 71-year-old nominee who could be facing a 46-year-old phenomenon?

A former athlete and beauty queen, Palin's approval ratings hover in 90 percent zone. Take that Barack. She was born in 1964 (1936 for McCain) and has four kids named Bristol, Piper, Track, and Willow. She could win Marin County on that alone. Plus a handsome fisherman hubby known as "First Dude."

Palin became a public hero taking on special interests, who practically own the Alaska political establishment. Forced to resign from the Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission after complaining to Republican Gov. Frank Murkowski about corruption, she was banished to the political wilderness before coming back to defeat Murkowski in the GOP primary.

Palin forced the Alaska legislature into special session to increase oil taxes -- yes, that's oil taxes – in Alaska, a Republican welfare state. And she vetoes public works projects.

Conservative Weekly Standard pundit Fred Barnes flew up to Alaska to check her out. The magazine thinks her "relative youth and short tenure in office" may hurt her chances. Since when?

Her office says she has not been contacted by anyone for the job and has her hands full in Alaska.

Sharon Leighow
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**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 4:20 PM

**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

**Subject:** Request by Metlakatla Indian Tribe to Expand Reservation Boundaries

Governor:

The Metlakatla Indian Community has asked the Secretary of the Interior to extend the boundaries of the Annette Islands Reserve to provide expanded fishing opportunities for its members. (The area they want to add to the reservation would run from the Southern point of Annette Island, south about 35-40 miles to the International Border of Canada and Alaska) This proposal will involve conflict with commercial and sport fishermen in Southeast Alaska waters, as well as with a petition for annexation of land and water to the Ketchikan Gateway Borough. It would also constitute a taking of State property (the waters and submerged lands) for which compensation must be paid. Any expanded fishing opportunities for Metlakatla residents in the area of water they are seeking would come directly from other Alaskans currently participating in the state's commercial and sport fisheries.

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**From:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]

**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:15 AM

**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

**Subject:** interview requests

Governor -

Channel 13 is looking for an interview on your NGA trip. Fox Business News is looking for another Exxon Valdez interview - at this point we don't have satellite confirmation so I'm not sure that will work. And Steve Quinn wants to know if you can call him after hours to talk about the state republican convention and Ben Stevens serving as national committeeman.

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**From:** John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
**Sent:** Thursday, February 28, 2008 10:24 AM
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin
**Cc:** Beth C (GOV) Leschper; Michael Tibbles; Sharon W (GOV) Leighow; Sam Bishop
**Subject:** Governor Pawlenty/VP/NGA

Interesting article. I guess the moral to the story is that proposing a restrictive climate change policy at the NGA winter meeting is not the best premise for selection as Vice President.

The press is still sniffing around this story. NGA staff asked us why Governor Manchin and you didn't sign the letter to Congress on the clean energy initiative.

We told them to say that the letter evolved out of a plenary session of all Governors, was a Pawlenty initiative, and was not pending at the Natural Resources Committee. Therefore, it was logical for the Chair and Vice-Chair of NGA to sign.

**Subject:** Interesting article on VP choices and greenhouse emissions; advice to McCain

*By Robert D. Novak*

Thursday, February 28, 2008; Page A17

Minnesota's Republican governor, Tim Pawlenty, carefully prepared his plan for controlling greenhouse gas emissions to present it at the annual winter meeting of governors in Washington. That effort coincided with Pawlenty's fast-rising prospects to become Sen. John McCain's choice for vice president. But behind closed doors, governors from energy-producing states complained so vigorously that Pawlenty's proposal was buried.

Pawlenty's position as chairman of the National Governors Association may prove to be his undoing. While party insiders sing his praises as ideal to be McCain's running mate, leading conservative Republican governors have been less than pleased with him. Pawlenty has collaborated with the association's Democratic vice chairman, Pennsylvania Gov. Edward G. Rendell, on a fat economic stimulus package as well as the energy proposal.

Hours after Pawlenty's energy plan was derailed, McCain himself was privately urged by GOP governors not to appear to be anti-coal or anti-oil. The upshot of a busy Saturday at the J.W. Marriott Hotel downtown was that Pawlenty came across as somebody considerably different from what McCain needs to calm conservatives. He left the nation's capital as a less attractive vice presidential possibility than he was when he arrived.

Pawlenty, 47, has long been talked about as a good fit for the 71-year-old McCain. He is the most

conservative Minnesota governor since Theodore "Tightwad Ted" Christianson in the 1920s. Elected to two terms (albeit narrowly) in a slightly blue state, Pawlenty is seen by supporters as a plus for McCain in the Democratic Upper Midwest if added to the ticket.

He gets high grades from conservative fanciers of Republican horse flesh, such as Karl Rove, Ken Mehlman and Pawlenty's fellow Minnesotan, Vin Weber. Anti-tax activist Grover Norquist approves of Pawlenty's record, save for one hike in cigarette taxes. The censorious Cato Institute gave him a C for fiscal responsibility in his first term (compared with its grade of F for Mike Huckabee of Arkansas).

Pawlenty has largely avoided the fate of other Republicans who were elected governor on a conservative platform and then fell prey in office to the lure of spending projects and concomitant tax increases. But he has become entwined in the National Governors Association's buddy system by serving as its chairman. That allied him with Rendell and put him at odds with conservative Republicans. Govs. Haley Barbour of Mississippi, Mitch Daniels of Indiana and Mark Sanford of South Carolina were not happy when Pawlenty and Rendell proposed an NGA-sponsored sweetening of the Bush administration's stimulus package of $6 billion in federal Medicaid funding and $6 billion in flexible block grants.

As co-chairman of the association's energy committee (with Kansas Gov. Kathleen Sebelius, who gave the Democratic response to President Bush's State of the Union address this year), Pawlenty proposed state goals for reducing carbon dioxide emissions. But at a "governors-only" session that opened the meeting on Saturday, Pawlenty encountered adamant opposition. Barbour led the way for governors from energy-producing states, including Republican Rick Perry of Texas and Democrat Steve Beshear of Kentucky. The issue of greenhouse gases was "set aside," Pawlenty told me, "because we realized there was no consensus."

McCain, who has co-sponsored a global warming bill with his friend and supporter Sen. Joseph Lieberman (I-Conn.), got more of the same over dinner with Republican governors that night. They made clear that energy was a major issue and that they hoped McCain would be sensitive to energy producers. By all accounts, the prospective presidential nominee was receptive.

That same day, the Wall Street Journal ran a column by Minneapolis-St. Paul talk show host Jason Lewis critiquing Pawlenty's record -- including renewable energy mandates -- as too liberal for him to be McCain's vice president. "If you look at my record as a whole," Pawlenty told me Sunday, "I would be astonished if I was not considered conservative." As for Lewis's remarks, "He doesn't think I'm conservative because I'm a proponent of clean energy, and, from my standpoint, we've got a national security issue."

"We loved Ronald Reagan, but he made some compromises along the way," Pawlenty said, adding, "We don't have a big enough party to be throwing people overboard." Presumably, that also means coal and oil interests.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you .

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**From:** TIM P TUCKWOOD [TPTUCKWOOD@PSEA.NET]

**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 2:40 PM

**To:** Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Parnell; Sean R (GOV); Kreitzer; Annette E (DOA)

**Cc:** Troopers

**Subject:** Public Safety

I have been in law enforcement in Alaska for fourteen years. I have worked in Bethel, Homer, Soldotna and I am currently stationed in Delta Junction. When I was hired by the Alaska State Troopers from a municipal agency over ten years ago, the job of an Alaska State Trooper was highly sought after. Many officers left smaller agencies to go to work for the State Troopers. Over the last ten years the cost of living has skyrocketed. Housing, utilities, food and basic necessities have doubled and fuel is at an all time high. During that same time frame, the wage and benefits for the Alaska State Troopers has been nearly stagnant while other municipalities have done a much better job of keeping up with the cost of living and supporting their employees. In the last five years, I have seen just the opposite in employment. Troopers, too many to count at this point, have moved on to other departments in Alaska or got out of law enforcement all together. At one time, the Alaska State Troopers were one of the top law enforcement agencies in the nation and the premier law enforcement agency in the state. Not so anymore. Not even close. The State Troopers have fifty plus vacancies that will likely never be filled due to the inability to attract and retain new Troopers. As a supervisor for a small Trooper post, I have one of those vacancies. It was filled for two months in the last two years. The remaining Troopers end up working hundreds of hours of overtime each to compensate for the vacancy. We don't have a choice.

Let's leave APD out of the picture. Ft. Greely, which is right next door to Delta Junction, has a police department. A one-year officer with that department makes as much as a five-year State Trooper in Delta. Not to mention better insurance, benefits, scheduling and backup. Do they want to work for the State Troopers? No. Even the new officers from out-of-state know the State Troopers are on a sinking ship. As I struggle to keep the Troopers I have working, I hear comments that top administrators from the Governor on down don't care about law enforcement and if they are not happy with their jobs, they can go find new jobs. I do like my job, but I am certainly disappointed in our support from the top. I remember not too long ago when the former Governor gave the State Commissioners a thirty plus percent raise to "attract and retain" quality members and to pay it's State Commissioners comparable to other states. If finances are that tough for the State of Alaska, which they are not, maybe they should give that healthy raise back. Right now, you have the opportunity to support your State Troopers and adequately fund the Department of Public Safety. Make it possible for the State Troopers to "attract and retain" quality applicants who have a desire to protect the citizens of the finest state in the nation, Alaska.

Sincerely,

Tim Tuckwood
PO Box 16
Delta Junction, AK.

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 8:32 PM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); K Perry Yahoo
**Subject:** Fw: Fairbanks News-Miner/Congressional Earmarks

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From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

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Subject: Fairbanks News-Miner/Congressional Earmarks

I think that Robert Dillon's story below came out pretty well for us. Hopefully, we can move on to other things with the Congressional delegation.

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Ted Stevens to reveal requests for earmarks

By <http://newsminer.com/staff/r-a-dillon/> R. A. Dillon

Published Wednesday, February 27, 2008

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WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Sen. Ted Stevens says he will begin later this week to post all of

the earmark requests his office has received from local communities and the state.

The move comes in response to calls from some national Republicans for greater transparency in the federal budget process and, specifically, criticism from Gov. Sarah Palin of the congressional delegation's use of earmarks to send millions of dollars home annually.

"There is some allegation that Senator Stevens pulls these requests out of thin air during the appropriation process," said Aaron Saunders, spokesman for Stevens. "By posting these on our Web site, we'll be able to demonstrate to Alaskans exactly where these requests come from."

Stevens plans to post all of the earmark requests he's received from state and municipal governments and private organizations for fiscal year 2009, Saunders said. The deadline for submitting earmark requests was Feb. 15.

The delegation is concerned that there's a disconnect between what the governor says in public and the funding requests that have been submitted by her administration, an Alaska congressional aide said on condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to speak on the issue.

The state has requested 31 earmarks in fiscal year 2009. Of those, 22 represent continuing appropriations from previous years, four have been funded intermittently in the past and only five requests are new.

The state's funding requests are in line with the governor's call in December to reduce the number of earmarks to no more than 10 or 12, excluding ongoing appropriations and earmarks for the Alaska National Guard, said John Katz, the governor's Washington spokesman.

"We have reduced the total number of earmark requests from 54 last year to 31," Katz said. "The total amount of money requested has gone down from $550 million to less than $200 million."

Katz met with Stevens on Monday morning to assure the senator that the state supported efforts to shine more light on the earmark process and that the governor was not trying to pick a fight with the delegation.

"I don't see any problem with Sen. Stevens posting the state's earmark requests," Katz said. "We believe they all pass muster in terms of the criteria set forth by the congressional delegation and the Bush administration.

"In each instance, there's a strong federal nexus, citizen support and reliance on an open and transparent process," Katz said. "In addition, we've included state matching funds whereever possible."

In an interview here on Saturday, Palin said the state's congressional delegation needed to change with the times and significantly curb their use of congressional earmarks.

"We can either put our heads in the sand and ignore the reforms that are coming or we can be proactive and get Alaska in a position to be more productive, contributing more and become less reliant on the federal government," Palin said.

The comments hit a nerve with Alaska's senior senator, who is renown for his ability to direct federal dollars back to the state through the earmark process.

Stevens, also a Republican, ranked second in the Senate in the number of earmarks he salted into spending bills in 2007. According to the nonprofit budget watchdog group Taxpayers for Common Sense, Stevens snagged $389 million in earmarks for projects back home.

Critics of earmarks say the process is rife for abuse by powerful lawmakers who can direct federal spending to pet projects with little or no oversight.

Stevens has repeatedly defended the use of earmarks, though, arguing that they give Congress more say over how federal dollars are spent.



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"The important thing to consider is that each of these requests come from a borough, city, community or local organization," Saunders said.

Stevens supports efforts to make the budget process more transparent and has agreed to adhere to new rules adopted in the Senate requiring both the sponsor and beneficiary to be listed on each earmark, Saunders said.

"The appropriation process is not done in a smoke-filled room in the dead of night," Saunders said. "There's a process and these bills are vetted over several months."

Katz said the governor is not against the use of earmarks as long as they meet certain standards.

"She understands Congress' responsibility to appropriate funds, and earmarking is part of that responsibility," Katz said.

Stevens has repeatedly warned the state that earmarking is on the decline and that important infrastructure projects will require greater share from the state in the future.

"Stevens has gone before the Legislature for years telling them that federal support is going to slow down and that there has to be more support from the state," Saunders said. "It's clear that the state is finally getting the message."

President Bush warned Congress last month that he would veto appropriation bills that exceed his $988 billion budget request for non-military spending for fiscal year 2009 and for cutting the number of earmarks in half.

He also issued an order to federal agencies directing them to ignore earmarks in the reports that accompany spending bills, which are not legally binding. Instead, to be funded an earmark would have to be included in the language of the appropriation bill, which requires a vote by the full committee.

On Tuesday, South Carolina Republican Sen. Jim DeMint said he plans to offer an amendment in the upcoming Senate budget resolution that would establish a year-long moratorium on earmarks.

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**Subject:** Fw: budget ideas

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Date: Thu, 28 Feb 2008 07:36:05

To:<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc:Kris Perry <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: budget ideas

Amen, too! And then people can see how much others, including Begich pass along to you.
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remember standing in the Chugiak High School hallway and parking lot talking about oil and gas issues back when I was with Channel 2 and he was quite critical of Murkowski and his naivete in negotiating with people (big oil) who are used to giving bribes in Russia and carrying guns to do business in other areas of the world. He kept saying how strong we need to be as a state and not bow down to big oil. Anyway...

How much time did you get with McCain re: gasline? Anything that could be a press release? Any promises? Could we say you spent good amount of time discussing gasline issues / ANWR? Did he say that he'd talk about Alaska concerning an energy plan / policy during the campaign and in the White House?

> To: Privileged or Personal Material Re

> CC: kris.perry@alaska.gov

> Subject: Re: budget ideas

> From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

> Date: Thu, 28 Feb 2008 16:18:50 +0000

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> Oh, amen. I told John Katz that - we don't mind at all that Stevens wants to post earmark requests (tho evidently Stevens wanted to do this to ding us) because it will prove we've only asked for 4 or 5 new ones (totaling 30-something that include continuation of old but sensible earmarks with a Federal nexus)... versus the 154 requests we inherited from prior administration that Stevens had to deal with.

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> Too bad Stevens doesn't see our efforts as being good for him, and really our reform efforts are at the request of him and Young - telling us to quit expecting so many federal dollars.

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> Back in DC the whole earmark reform issue was thee hot topic - from speaking with McCain, Bush, Transportation Secretary Peters, other Govs, etc.

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> From the ADN:

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> Who wants what. Stories from the <http://newsminer.com/news/2008/feb/27/ted-stevens-reveal-requests-earmarks/> Fairbanks Daily News-Miner and <http://aprn.org/2008/02/26/senator-stevens-to-make-earmark-requests-public/> APRN say that Sen. Ted Stevens plans a feature on <http://stevens.senate.gov/public/> his web site that will list all the requests for earmarks that come in to his office from Alaskans. "People have got to understand we're here to get those requests," Stevens said. "And the problem is how many of them there are and how difficult it is when some people at home criticize us for trying at all and others criticize us for not getting more."

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> Federal earmarks have become immensely controversial, with specific projects linked to

Alaska's delegation — including bridge proposals and a Florida road funding item pushed by Rep. Don Young — drawing some of the hottest criticism.



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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 8:30 PM
**To:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Cc:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Senator Murkowski

John Katz had excellent comments in response to Dillon's questions on this the other day. Did you all see those? They should be shared with Cockerham... Meg also chimed in on this issue the other day, I'll forward her comments bc reporters need to understand the gist of all this - it was our congressional delegation telling us over a year ago to lay off the federal requests, we obeyed.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 29 Feb 2008 20:14:56

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc:"Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Subject: Senator Murkowski

FYI as you will likely see Senator Murkowski tomorrow and her chief of staff Karen (Knutson) at the Iditarod. After you and I spoke this afternoon, Karen called me to tell me that Sean Cockerman is doing a story on earmarks and that he interviewed Murkowski's office. According to Karen they kept it positive; respect for the Governor, etc. She is frustrated because she feels that the media is using this to try to divide. (Sharon, I'm not sure if we were contacted or provided a statement?)

On another subject, I told Karen that the 18th looks good for lunch but that I'd have to get back with her to finalize and confirm for sure.

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**From:** Justin Massey [jmassey@trustees.org]
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 7:56 PM
**To:** Wuerch; George (DOT sponsored)
**Cc:** Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Ruaro; Randall P (GOV); johnny_ellis@legis.state.ak.us; lyman_hoffman@legis.state.ak.us; bert_stedman@legis.state.ak.us; albert_kookesh@legis.state.ak.us; les_gara@legis.state.ak.us; mike_chenault@legis.state.ak.us; kevin_meyer@legis.state.ak.us; kyle_johansen@legis.state.ak.us; mayor@ci.anchorage.ak.us; curt.menard@matsugov.us; Niemiec; Andrew J (DOT)
**Subject:** February 27, 2008, Executive Session of the KABATA Board of Directors

Dear Mr. Wuerch:

Please find the attached request for information regarding the February 27, 2008, executive session of the KABATA Board of Directors.

Justin Massey
Staff Attorney
Trustees for Alaska
1026 West 4th Avenue, Suite 201
Anchorage, AK 99501
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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 5:34 PM
**To:** Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
**Subject:** Re: Agrium Update

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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Sat, 1 Mar 2008 02:18:25

To:"Tom Lopez" <tom.lopez@alaska.gov>,"Marty Rutherford"
<marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>,"Joe Balash" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Subject: Fw: Agrium Update

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Kelsey, Mark D (GOV)" <mark.kelsey@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 29 Feb 2008 14:15:07

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc:"Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>,"Balash, Joseph R (GOV)"
<joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Subject: FW: Agrium Update

-----Original Message-----

From: Robert Fowler [mailto:rnfowler57@yahoo.com <mailto:rnfowler57@yahoo.com> ]

Sent: Fri 2/29/2008 1:58 PM

To: Kelsey, Mark D (GOV)

Subject: Agrium Update

Governor Palin

I regret to inform you that despite our best efforts Agrium is not interested in our proposal to sell them natural gas in order to reopen their plant in Kenai.

Please don't quote me on this, but Agrium does not seem to have any confidence in the USGS and DNR studies regarding coal thickness and gas content in the Cook Inlet Basin.

We tried.

Best Regards

Bob Fowler



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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 4:53 PM
**To:** Morgan, Katryn L (GOV); Privileged or Perso
**Cc:** Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Press Release: Superior Court Upholds Lieutenant Governor's Initiative Decision

Very good call LtGov! And great presser on it.

----- Original Message -----

From: Morgan, Katryn L (GOV)

To: Morgan, Katryn L (GOV)

Sent: Fri Feb 29 16:28:28 2008

Subject: Press Release: Superior Court Upholds Lieutenant Governor's Initiative Decision

For Immediate Release
08-04

Superior Court Upholds Lieutenant Governor's Initiative Decision

February 29, 2008, Anchorage, Alaska – Fairbanks Superior Court Judge Douglas L. Blankenship ruled on Thursday that Lieutenant Governor Sean Parnell took proper action regarding the 07WATR and 07WTR3 initiatives. The initiatives propose requirements to new large scale metallic mineral mining operations in Alaska.

In his ruling dated February 28, 2008, Judge Blankenship concluded that, "Lieutenant Governor Parnell was correct in refusing to certify 07WATR because it is an appropriation. The lieutenant governor's certification of 07WTR3 as a regulatory measure was correct."

Lieutenant Governor Parnell commented on Thursday's ruling, stating that, "It's important to get certainty and finality on these significant water and mining issues. Though the decision will likely be appealed, it brings us one step closer to an Alaska Supreme Court decision on whether the initiative is the proper route for deciding these issues or whether that is the Legislature's exclusive domain."

If this decision is appealed as expected to the Alaska Supreme Court, it will most likely be consolidated with the lieutenant governor's appeal of a separate Superior Court decision ruling in favor of the initiative sponsors.

Judge Blankenship's ruling can be found at

http://www.ltgov.state.ak.us/PDFs/07WATR-FairbanksSuperiorCourt.PDF.

Further information on 07WATR and 07WTR3 can be found at http://ltgov.state.ak.us/initiatives.php.

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 3:56 PM
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
**Cc:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Meeting Request - ExxonMobil

Just talked to Joe about this. We'll meet with Exxon when they come down on March 5/6. Thanks

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 29 Feb 2008 15:49:57

To:Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>,"Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>,"Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)" <patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>,"Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>,"Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Subject: Meeting Request - ExxonMobil

This was just hand delivered today, Friday, 02.29.08. Thanks, Janice

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Sent: Friday, February 29, 2008 3:45 PM

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Subject: Scan



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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 1:57 PM
**To:** Sean personal2; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Water Mining Initiative

Sounds good. Thanks, I'll pass on to Sharon.

------Original Message------

From: Sean personal2

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Cc: Mike Tibbles

ReplyTo: Sean personal2

Sent: Feb 29, 2008 1:31 PM

Subject: Water Mining Initiative

We are getting asked for quotes on the court decision on the water/mining decision in Fairbanks and this is what we've been saying (since this win came in the Council of Alaska Producers case we're focusing on the procedural aspect rather than doing the big victory lap).:

Parnell said, "It's important to get certainty and finality on these significant water and mining issues. Though the decision will likely be appealed, it brings us one step closer to an Alaska Supreme Court decision on whether the initiative is the proper route for deciding these issues or whether that is the Legislature's exclusive domain."

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## Unknown

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 1:56 PM
**To:** Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: City of Eagle Road Improvements and Dust Control

If that's his decision, then yes he should move forward. Thanks

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 29 Feb 2008 13:25:08

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: City of Eagle Road Improvements and Dust Control

Governor:

Commissioner Von Scheben is pressing a bit to move ahead and go out to bid on the road improvements and dust control work for the project in Eagle. The funding numbers he gave me for the project are: $1,182,000 Denali Commission and $117,000 DOT. He also says that based on the petitions signed by City Council members, etc., there is more support in the community to move ahead with the project than against it, although some members of the minority opposed to the project are very vocal and get some media attention.

Thanks,

Randy



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## Unknown

**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 12:31 PM
**To:** Leschper; Beth (GOV); ExternalEmailgsp
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: LA morning show on Monday

Sure

----- Original Message -----

From: Leschper, Beth (GOV)

To: ExternalEmailgsp; Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Cc: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Sent: Fri Feb 29 12:26:59 2008

Subject: LA morning show on Monday

I got a call-back from KTLA the Fox affiliate in Los Angeles, with an invitation for you to appear on their morning show.

Would be a chance to talk about AGIA and how AK energy can help California.

I have also pitched the "women in political leadership" angle and they are interested in that as the Texas and Ohio primaries are on Tuesday.

The timing would fit in your schedule – you would need to leave the hotel about 7:30 a.m. to arrive at the studio and the 8:45 interview.

They are hoping for confirmation shortly.

Beth



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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 9:51 AM
**To:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
**Subject:** Pressers

Both look great thanks!

Hey- Forgit's coming in for a FEMA meeting- want to join us? ;) kidding

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 9:43 AM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Frank Bailey; K Perry Yahoo
**Subject:** Fw: Privil

Thanks for your email Sharon. That was new information to me.

------Original Message------

From: Sean personal2

To: Governor Sarah Palin

ReplyTo: Sean personal2

Sent: Feb 29, 2008 9:42 AM

Subject: Privil

Still ok with Privile going to be with you. I know it's taken awhile, but I still think she wants to do it.

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 9:28 AM
**To:** Frye; Ivy J (DOA); Todd; Frank Bailey; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Psea

Great idea. Pls press Annette on this.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Frye, Ivy J (DOA)" <ivy.frye@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 28 Feb 2008 20:09:13

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com, fek9wnr@yahoo.com, ftb907@yahoo.com,"Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Fw: Psea

You guys may know, psea could come out w negative ads soon. My email to annette is below.

----- Original Message -----

From: Frye, Ivy J (DOA)

To: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)

Sent: Thu Feb 28 20:07:51 2008

Subject: Psea

Commissioner:

Was thinking we could take the air out of psea's new ads by being proactive and sending a press release out before their ads come out. If they're going to say you and the governor don't understand the constitution we should say FIRST that the governor remains committed to constitutionally madated services and that psea like other unions are receiving bettwr contracts than they've seen in yrs. I'll finish looking over the constitution for you in the morning and get you some specifics for a press release if you decide to go that route.

Ivy

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 9:11 AM
**To:** Frank Bailey
**Cc:** K Perry Yahoo; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Todd
**Subject:** Re: Comm

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I'm reducing Security positions (did you know Hammond fired all security! That's cool. He only used troopers for big events, and he'd just call them and give them a head's up, telling them where he'd be. That saves at least a quarter million dollars. It was Knowles (who didn't drive) and Murkowski who built up that over-sized Security dept). By reducing their numbers but keeping the dollars in the budget and shifting them to Comm positions we'll hit our priorities better.

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-----Original Message-----

From: frank bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>

Date: Fri, 29 Feb 2008 10:07:21

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: Comm

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gov.sarah@yahoo.com wrote: The vacant Comm position- Mike said you and Beth found someone who will work in the administrative position Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 9:00 AM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Comm

The vacant Comm position- Mike said you and Beth found someone who will work in the administrative position on Comm- Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 7:26 AM
**To:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)
**Cc:** Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Iditarod Sched

Pls sched Sat 7pm at Iditapark: First Family will attend Iditarod Race Kick-off fireworks event.

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## Unknown

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 6:42 AM
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); Todd
**Cc:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Monegan; Walt C (DPS); Wheeler; Gary R (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Schedule - Wed. 02.27 - 03.08.08

Walt - thank you for your reply. No need to lease an aircraft in the month of May, however. Pls tell John Glass that's not necessary although it sounds like the King Air is unavailable again that entire month for another mandatory 200 hr inspection, we'll be out of Juneau by then as the session will be over. I'll be working out of the Anchorage office in May and will schedule events that allow me to drive to them, and the few locations I'll need to fly to I'll take commercial.

So again make sure you guys don't lease aircraft bc my office will be headquartered in Anchorage that month.

Also, for it to be down again for painting? How much $$$, how necessary is that?

Thanks.

Gary- re: Security's request to replace Tom's vehicle in Juneau: instead of purchasing a replacement vehicle in Juneau, pls have him take over Fred's rig that is now available and/or drive the explorer that's in the House garage. That ought to save about $30g. Thanks

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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Thu, 28 Feb 2008 18:36:56

To:"Janice Mason" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>,"Todd" <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>

Cc:"Kris Perry" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>,"Walt Monegan" <walt.monegan@alaska.gov>,"Gary Wheeler" <gary.wheeler@alaska.gov>,"M Nizich" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>,"Mike Tibbles" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Schedule - Wed. 02.27 - 03.08.08

What day would that be that I'd try to fly commercial from Juneau to Anchorage then on to Fairbanks for next weekend's events?

And again- I have no idea what the issues continue to be with the availability (and $500,000 in recent repairs later) of the King Air, but it's sure a perplexing situation to realize that I never get to count on using that state transportation. I still don't want to believe the rumors/speculation that they're trying to teach me a lesson for selling the jet, but it kinda makes some sense when you consider the unreliability of my transportation that I encounter most any time I'm expected to be at events that aren't on the road system where I can just drive myself.

I hope Alaskans understand why we're not able to show up to as many events as previous Gov's may have been able to attend that require King Air transportation. Maybe touch base with Walt on this? At least ask him "who's in charge" when it comes to availability and maintanence of the state plane.

Even specifically in this case of the King Air being unavailable for my use again now for how many weeks? If this is going continue to be par for the course, we need to just shift gears away from ever expecting the aircraft would be available for my reliance on its use. I'll continue then to rely on my own driving to events on the road system and not accepting as many events that require flights, thus lessening burden on Security and DPS. It seems this is another good reason to capitalize on pending retirements, less Security needs, budget constraints, etc., and we can really pare down travel and security costs (and other burdens on DPS). That's my direction.

The biggest frustration is always having so many scheduling issues "up in the air" (which isn't fair to schedulers nor to Alaskans doing the inviting) and having to guess whether I'll be able to rely on air transportation to get me to pending events and appts.

I'm most comfortable, secure, and have more convenience when I'm able to rely on my own transportation arrangements (specifically road trips) and not reliant on speculating whether I'll be able to use state transportation or commercial.

I don't want anyone to have hard feelings over this or point fingers, but it's obvious that travel and scheduling proceedures can and should become more sensible, reliable and less costly when we get answers on why it's so difficult to count on state air transportation, and we accept that security and travel processes can be pared down from today forward in order to simplify and process travel more economically. Thanks

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 28 Feb 2008 08:53:00

To:ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, Todd <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>

Cc:"Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: Schedule - Wed. 02.27 - 03.08.08



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I talked with security and DPS has two mechanics working on it right now. They hope to have it fixed by the weekend/first of next week. Once it is fixed they then have to test fly. We should not count on it for Fairbanks - this would have to be commercial flight.

You could take AK Flt., #185 Depart ANC 1:10 p.m arrive FBKS 2:10 p.m.

Return AK Flt., #140 Depart FBKS 7:10 p.m. arrive ANC 8:10 p.m.

Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2008 8:39 AM

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV); Todd

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Re: Schedule - Wed. 02.27 - 03.08.08

Is the king air available for anything? AGIA meetings? Fairbanks ice classic/international trade event(s)?

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 27 Feb 2008 12:04:28

To:Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, fek9wnr@yahoo.com

Cc:"Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Schedule - Wed. 02.27 - 03.08.08

Governor - Reggie Joule's nephew died (Russ Kelly emailed you last week on this). Rep. Kerttula was asking if you had touched base with Reggie by phone in this regards. Request

came from Russ Kelly. Thank you, Janice

Wed. - Friday 02.27-02.29.08 7:00 p.m. - Chugiak - Peterscreek Christian Church - Drs. Christian and Robin Harfouche - Miracle Crusade Revival - If your able to attend they would like to meet w/you and share their vision they have for the people of Alaska.

Thursday - 02.28.08 9:00 - 9:25 a.m. - Mat-Su Job Center - Governor invited to present (3) certificates of completion for the graduates of the Career Readiness Training. This request was discussed w/Todd and Thomas Nelson of DOL. If Governor not available they would like Todd. Time can be adjusted.

Thursday - 02.28.08 5:30 p.m. - Sullivan Arena - Iditarod Pre-Race Musher's Banquet (GOV & Family Invited)

Friday - 02.29.08 2:15 p.m. - Town Square, South Side of Performing Art Center - Governor and Piper Invitedto ride down 9-10ft. ice slide. There will be media attending. This is the WILDFEST Winter Festival - a production of Alaska Destination Specialists, Inc. This is the first year of this festival.

Saturday - 03.01.08 2:00 p.m. - Ft. Richardson - Governor asked to attend only - no speech. Freedom Salute - Welcome Home Ceremony. 150 returning soldiers will be present.

Saturday - 03.01.08 7:00 p.m. - Wasilla - Governor and Todd invited to attend the Musher's Ball - Mistress & Master of Ceremony. Colleen will be attending and possibly Kris.

Wednesday, 03.05.08 Juneau - Meet w/St. Paul Mayor Simeon Swetzof, Jr. and appropriate staff assistants - Will provide list of issues.

Wednesday, 03.05.08 Juneau - Meet w/Kodiak Mayor Jerome Selby, City/Borough Officials of Kodiak and appropriate staff assistants - Will provide list of issues.

Wed. - Thursday, 03.05-06.08 Juneau - Emily King/Lea Domkee (JDHS Students) would like to meet with the Governor in regards to HB287 - PFD/Retirement Fund Bill. They have already met w/Russ. RECOMMEND THAT RUSS BRIEF YOU.

Thursday, 03.06.08 Juneau - Stop By - AK Council on Emergency Medical Services Meeting - Anna will provide briefing paper.

Thursday, 03.06.08 Juneau - Speech to the Alaska Forest Associations' Spring Meeting - re: timber supply solutions that the Governor envisions. Privileged or P

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Friday, 03.07.08 Anchorage - Governor invited to attend and give remarks at the Go Red for Women Luncheon. If Governor could not attend they would like 3 min. DVD with remarks from FBKS luncheon.

Saturday - 03.08.08 Fairbanks - Speech to Students Who Enjoy Economic Thinking (SWEET) - Univ. of Fbks - 46 current members. They would like GOV to speak on Alaskan economic growth and State economy. Lt. Gov has spoken in the past.

Saturday - 03.08.08 Fairbanks - Ft. Greely - Speech to Military and Government Contractors - Women's History Month Event.

Saturday - 03.08.08 Fairbanks - Courtesy Call with the new Counsul General of China, Mr. Gao. If not in Fairbanks he would be willing to travel to any city to meet through 03.10.08.

Saturday - 03.08.08 Fairbanks - 4:00 p.m. - Fur and Ice Event. The most



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important event for you to attend during this day is the Governor's International Reception. You would not need to attend the tour of Fairbanks. There will be approximately 60 International Guests in attendance.



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**From:** Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RPRUARO]

**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 1:25 PM

**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

**Subject:** City of Eagle Road Improvements and Dust Control

Governor:

Commissioner Von Scheben is pressing a bit to move ahead and go out to bid on the road improvements and dust control work for the project in Eagle. The funding numbers he gave me for the project are: $1,182,000 Denali Commission and $117,000 DOT. He also says that based on the petitions signed by City Council members, etc., there is more support in the community to move ahead with the project than against it, although some members of the minority opposed to the project are very vocal and get some media attention.

Thanks,

Randy

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 3:50 PM
**To:** Sarah Palin; Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
**Subject:** Meeting Request - ExxonMobil

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Sent: Friday, February 29, 2008 3:45 PM

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Subject: Scan

Attachments:

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**From:** Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=AEKREITZER]

**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 4:56 PM

**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com

**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)

**Subject:** Working Group Report and legislation

Governor:
Just an update – the legislation implementing a portion of the Working Group recommendations (tying salaries for non-union personnel to the SU contract terms) has been delivered to the Legislature for introduction. I understand Mike briefed you on the contents of the bill earlier today.
We concurrently are rolling out the Working Group Report with caveats that the work is ongoing and that not all recommendations will necessarily be implemented.
I am signing the well baby coverage on Monday with Senators McGuire and French invited.
PSEA contract – we're getting closer. They will be in Juneau next week, so I expect we won't come to conclusion today. I expect they'll want to be in JNU to visit with legislators. I briefed Mike on some of the non-monetary portions of the contract that I'm committed to getting.
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**Unknown**

**From:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 11:39 AM
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Support Staff

Did you folks see this?

**From:** Leschper, Beth (GOV)
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 11:35 AM
**To:** Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
**Cc:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
**Subject:** Support Staff

As we have three of our communications staff based in Juneau (Beth Leschper, Andy Mills, Jason Bluhm) and one press staff in Anchorage (Sharon Leighow) the clerical support staff position would work in Juneau – even if we hire additional staff in Anchorage.

Much of the infrastructure that we deal with is based in Juneau. The support staffer would be responsible for:

⇒ communicating with a variety of State of Alaska departments and external audiences

⇒ helping "advance" events – details (how the event will happen, double-checking expectations, location, audience, etc.)

⇒ managing flow of news releases and publications – proofing and managing distribution so we don't send out releases with mistakes

⇒ distribution of hard copies of releases throughout Capitol (even when not in session)

⇒ researching and drafting correspondence for the communications office (we receive an average of about 100 requests per month)

⇒ proofing of correspondence from CR

⇒ maintaining calendars

⇒ managing press logs

⇒ creating/updating media directory

⇒ preparing news clips for distribution to Governor's staff

⇒ managing flag lists and notices

⇒ managing "special day" calendar so releases are sent out timely

⇒ archiving documents as required by statute

- ⇒ arranging and managing travel for four (possibly soon to be five)
- ⇒ assisting with communications activities and events (helping plan Town Halls or whatever else comes up)
- ⇒ assisting with A/V equipment
- ⇒ maintaining databases and lists
- ⇒ managing a huge amount of other day-to-day activities – such as answering the phone and sorting mail, dealing with subscriptions, etc.

Beth Leschper
Deputy Communications Director
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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
**Sent:** Friday, February 29, 2008 3:50 PM
**To:** Sarah Palin; Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
**Subject:** Meeting Request - ExxonMobil

This was just hand delivered today, Friday, 02.29.08. Thanks, Janice

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Sent: Friday, February 29, 2008 3:45 PM

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Subject: Scan

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Attachments:

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**From:** Frye, Ivy J (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRYE]
**Sent:** Saturday, March 01, 2008 3:00 PM
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
**Subject:** Piper

Hey governor,

The next time you're talking w pip, ask her why she's looking forward to growing up or becoming a woman. I'm going to plug her answer into some short opening remarks for you for the women's history luncheon. I'm sure whatever her answer is will get the crowd laughing. Fyi, you're opening remarks are optional. I just want to make sure you have 'em if you need 'em.

Hope you're having a great weekend!

ivy frye

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Saturday, March 01, 2008 10:13 AM
**To:** Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason, Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Parking

No prob at all, in the end. We certainly didn't need security, just a parking spot. Gary didn't respond very favorably about advising on the parking- no big deal tho cuz we're here now!

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Sat, 01 Mar 2008 09:42:21

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc:"Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Parking

I had assumed that this was taken care of. I should have checked to confirm. Gary asked me for details yesterday and I told him that Sharon was staffing and coordinating and that I didn't think security would be necessary at the event (since they have their own) but I wasn't thinking of parking and thought he'd ck w/sharon. I apologize for any inconvenience.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Wheeler, Gary R (GOV)

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Mason, Janice L (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Sent: Sat Mar 01 09:15:02 2008

Subject: Re: Parking

Just looking for where Govs Office is supposed to park at this bill signing.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Wheeler, Gary R (GOV)" <gary.wheeler@alaska.gov>

Date: Sat, 01 Mar 2008 09:17:19

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: Parking

Nothing passed on to me.

Gary Wheeler

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Cc: K Perry Yahoo <krisandclark@yahoo.com>; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Cockrell, Robert A (GOV); Wheeler, Gary R (GOV)

Sent: Sat Mar 01 09:09:52 2008

Subject: Parking

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**From:** Irwin, Tom E (DNR) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TEIRWIN]
**Sent:** Saturday, March 01, 2008 9:34 AM
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
**Subject:** Re: Confidential - Exxon

Thanks. It will be an intense, important week. I am home today and then headed to Anchorage tomorrow. Thanks for letting me be part of your team. Kay Cashman, Petroleum News, treated us well about the rumors.

As soon as time allows it would be good to review the town meetings-a real success.

Have a great day! God bless. Tom

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)

Sent: Sat Mar 01 07:59:33 2008

Subject: Re: Confidential - Exxon

Meeting after PTU rehearing is fine with me - I couldnt tell from exxon's letter whether their discussion on gasline would lead to PTU discussion also. Thank you

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 29 Feb 2008 20:34:55

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Subject: Confidential - Exxon

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As you all know, the Point Thompson remand hearings will start next Monday 3rd and continue through Friday 7th from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. To help in everyone's thinking: in my opening comments I will be stating that I will be interested in the proposed POD, how it compares to the previously denied POD, what makes this different, what are the protections in this 23rd POD that progress would be made, how can this POD be trusted with 22 previous POD's, that I have not been influenced by the Governor or others, that the decision is solely mine and that I have the full responsibility to make the correct decision on the information provided.

It will be an important week and I will have great support with Nan, Marty, the legal team, and our DOG technical team. Hope this update helps. Tom



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**Cc:** K Perry Yahoo; Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Parking

Called Gary and Bob to ask where Govs usually park for iditarod start- neither one is picking up.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Sat, 1 Mar 2008 18:09:52

To:"Janice Mason" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Cc:"K Perry Yahoo" <krisandclark@yahoo.com>,"Sharon Leighow" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>,"Bob Cockrell" <robert.cockrell@alaska.gov>,"Gary Wheeler" <gary.wheeler@alaska.gov>

Subject: Parking

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**From:** Shelly Wright [shellyw@seconference.org]
**Sent:** Saturday, March 01, 2008 12:58 PM
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
**Subject:** Mid Winter Summit Registration

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**From:** Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
**Sent:** Sunday, March 02, 2008 5:01 PM
**To:** 'govpalin@alaska.gov'
**Subject:** Re: Mtgs

I will get these set up in the morning. Janice

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Sent using BlackBerry

----- Original Message -----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Cc: Privileged or Personal Material Redacted ; Jackson, Karleen K (HSS)

Sent: Sun Mar 02 16:58:53 2008

Subject: Mtgs

Hi J- on Wed if the LtGov is available in Juneau would you put on sched? And a mtg time for Karleen also, thanks- they may have specific days/times this week that work for better foe them, if so pls work with their scheds. Thanks



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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Sunday, March 02, 2008 4:04 PM
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Cc:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Fw: Email - FYI

J- would you have someone, maybe Colleen in Anchorage office - give a congrats letter to this gal's daughter. Thanks

----- Original Message -----

From: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

To: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Sent: Mon Feb 25 11:13:54 2008

Subject: Email - FYI

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Sunday, February 24, 2008 11:22 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Kathy Krell

address: 4001 N. Charley Dr. Wasilla AK 99654

MESSAGE:

Hi Sarah, Just thought I'd share a little pearl that will probably make you smile. Lexie just won an "Al Neuharth Free Spirit Award/Scholarship" in journalism (He is the founder of USA Today). Anyway, they choose 2 students from each state and bring them all to Washington, DC to compete for a 50K scholarship in March. Since you were at Colony High to induct Lexie into Quill&Scroll, I thought you would appreciate the scope of this award. By the way, her focus is currently on Pre-Med...go figure!! Take Care, keep up the good work. Kathy Krell

kakrell@yahoo.com

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Sunday, March 02, 2008 3:06 PM
**To:** Katz; John W (GOV)
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV); Persily; Larry A (GOV); Bishop; Samuel T (GOV); Sean personal2
**Subject:** Earmarks

Fairbanks Newsminer is mischaracterizing our position and statements on earmarks - today's editorial is so off base that we need to submit a letter to the ed, or an op-ed, along the lines of our Carl Marrs response. None of us have said earmarks are what these editors claim we've suggested.

John- would you rewrite the Marrs response for the Newsminer?

Here we're trying to assist and "obey" Young and Stevens re: laying off earmark requests (for their own good too), and they're letting our efforts bite us in the butt. I spoke with Lisa about this yest at the Iditarod start, thanked her for her understanding of where we are on this, and had a good conversation with her saying she knows we're trying to do the right thing on this. We'll have lunch in two weeks when she's back up.

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